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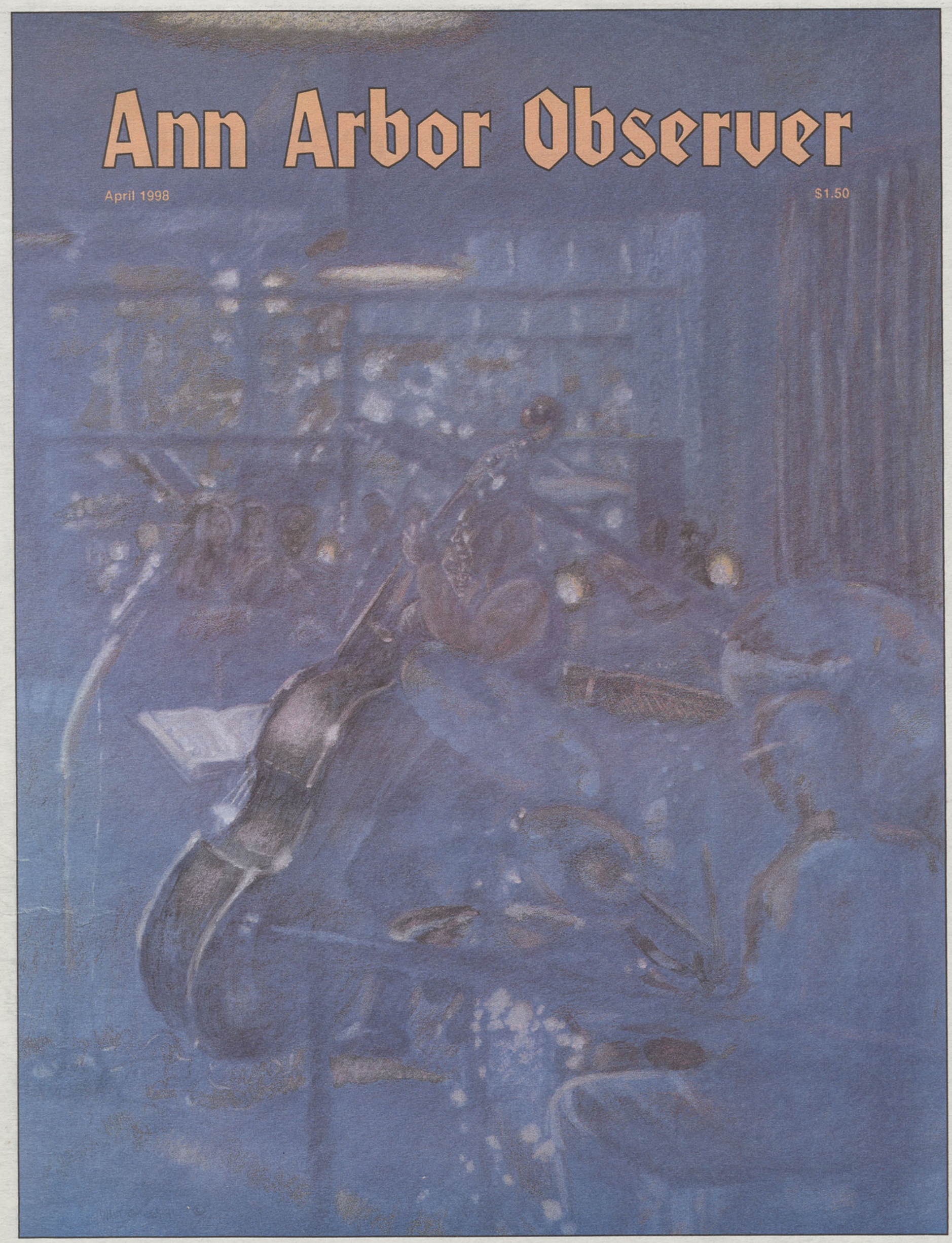

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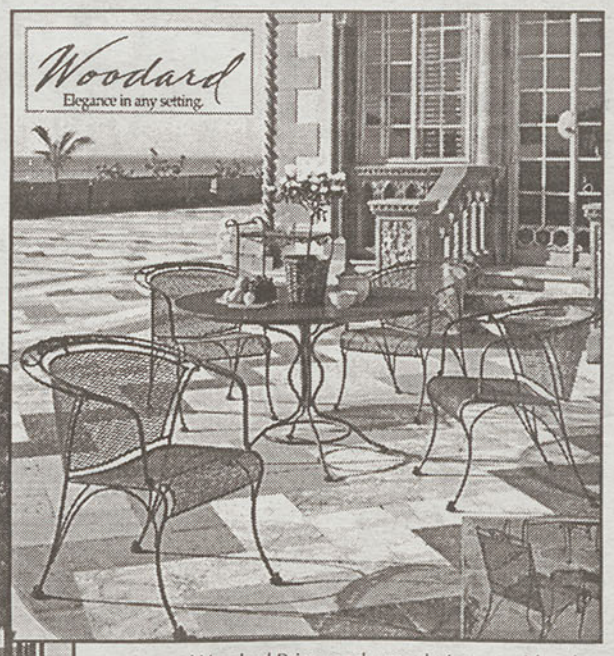


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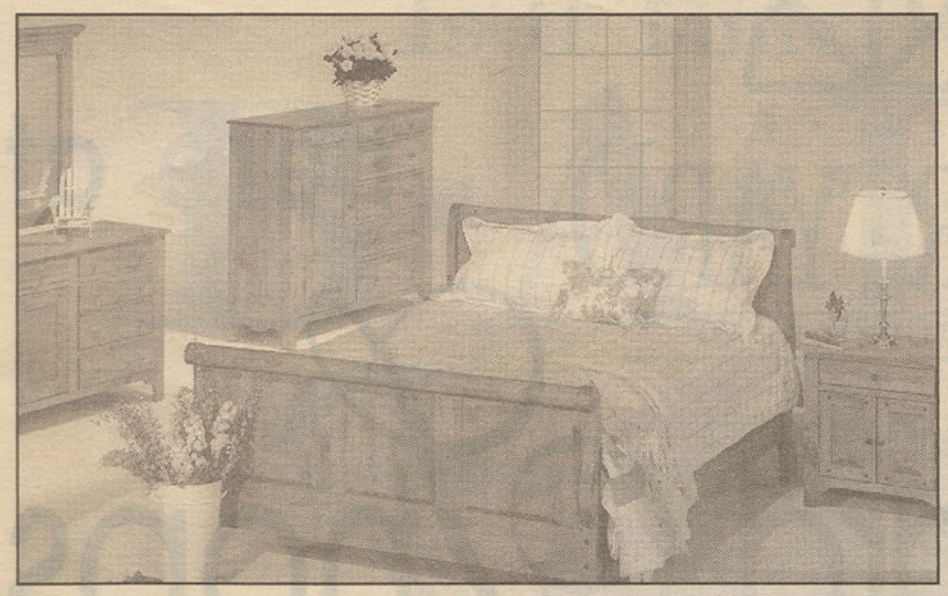

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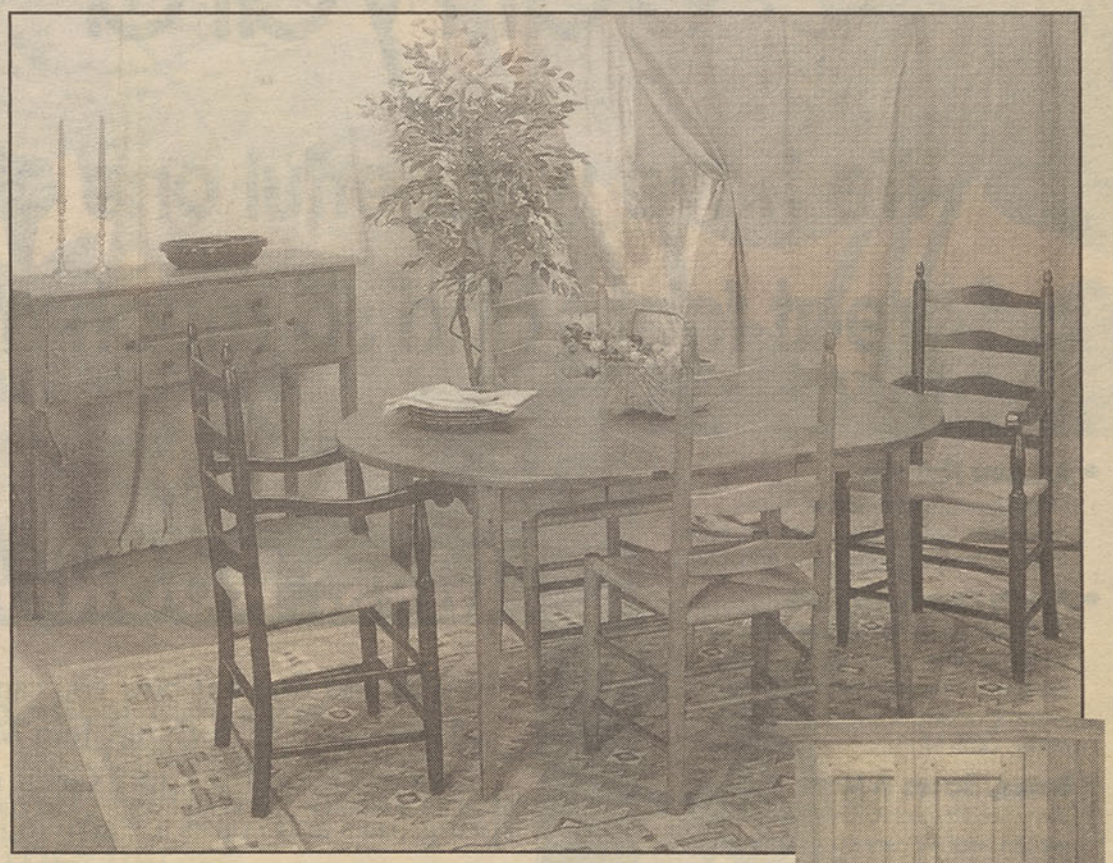

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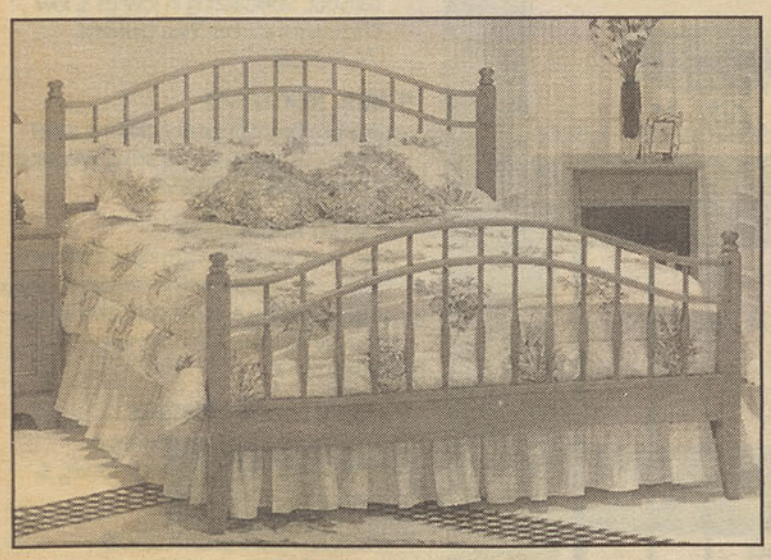

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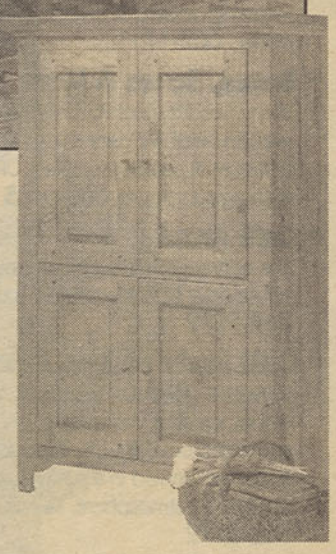

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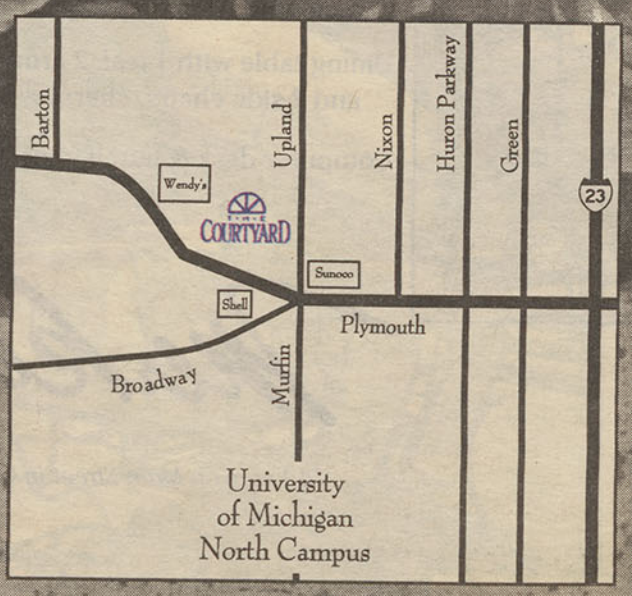


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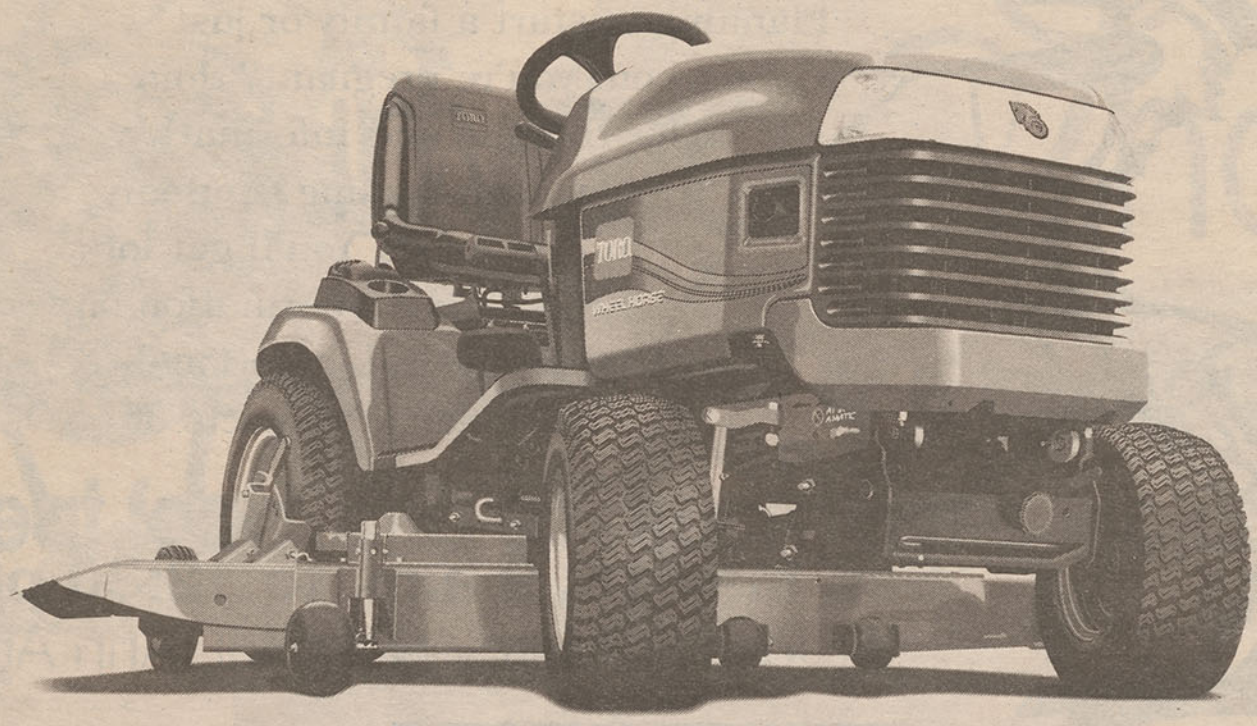


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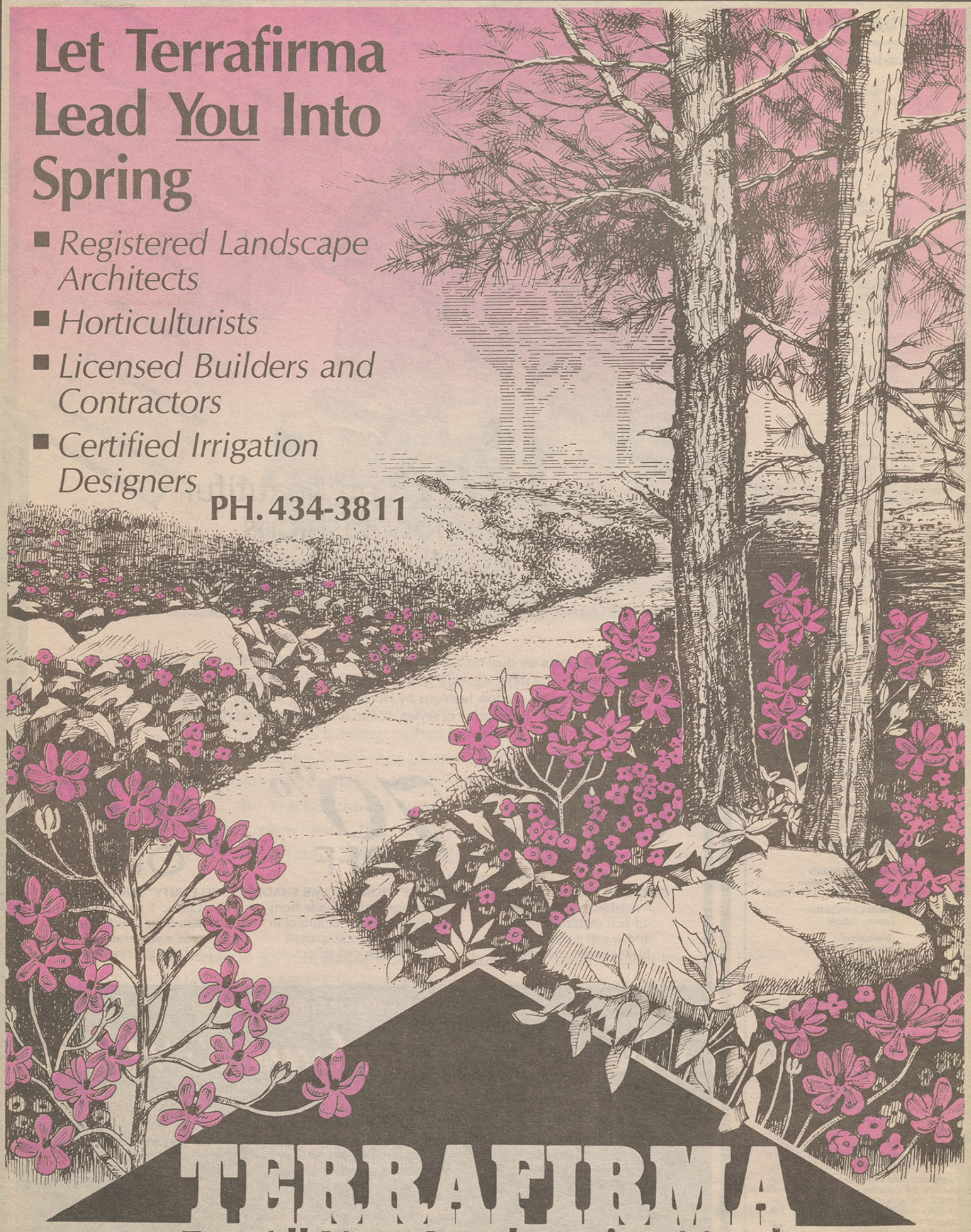

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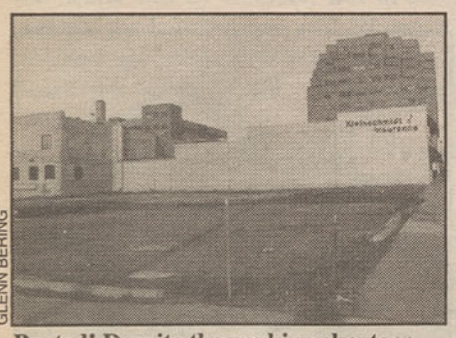
# No Parking

**Even as Ann Arbor's public parking garages shut down for repairs, city officials continue to close guerrilla private parking lots.**

When the city parking system was created, new private lots downtown were banned—a rule intended to prevent the wholesale demolition that blighted many downtowns in the 1950s. But with 200-plus city spaces demolished just last month, and with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) planning more temporary structure closings this fall, you might think it's time to look the other way.



GLENN BERING

**Busted! Despite the parking shortage, the city closed this lot on Huron St.**

But no one's told city zoning coordinator Jim DeWolfe to back off. "Basically, if we find out [about a guerrilla lot], then we enforce," DeWolfe says. Since December, his investigators have closed two lots and are investigating a half dozen more.

In December, the city threatened Jack Stegeman of Campus Rentals with legal action for operating an "illegal parking lot" on a triangular knoll near the corner of Forest and Washtenaw. Although Stegeman had permission for construction parking, officials said other cars were parking there, too. Stegeman chased off the offending vehicles, and city ordinance enforcement inspector Jennifer Turnbull promises the lot will be "routinely monitored" to make sure they don't return.

Across town, Steve Kleinschmidt, whose family owns part of the site on which the Whiffletree restaurant once stood, ran afoul of city officials, too. When a reporter noticed cars parked on the dirt at 208–212 West Huron and inquired of the city whether it was allowed, officials promptly cited Kleinschmidt for operating an illegal lot. Kleinschmidt, who wasn't exactly hiding the activity (he had a big sign on the property), said DDA executive director Susan Pollay gave him permission.

"Not so," says Pollay, though she does admit telling Kleinschmidt it was unlikely he'd get caught. It would be "great," Pollay says, if the city allowed developers to park cars on vacant lots to help alleviate the current parking shortage. "Anyone who wanted to push for such an idea would have plenty of support," she predicts.

*Second Ward councilman David Kwan talked about legalizing private lots in his last election campaign. Kwan says he still favors the idea but won't say for certain whether he will propose an ordinance to allow it. Still, he adds, "if anyone wanted to push the issue, I think there's merit."*

# German School

**A German-language school and preschool are meeting weekly in Ann Arbor.**

A hundred years ago, when about half of Ann Arbor's population was of German descent, German children in Ann Arbor had no trouble keeping up with their language: German was widely spoken in stores, in churches, and in parochial schools. But German-speakers were persecuted during World War I, and subsequent generations of German-Americans grew up speaking only English.

Now Ann Arbor has a German-language school again. Since October, preschool and elementary classes have been meeting weekly. The classes are the brainchild of Susanne Krummel and Marion Duda, who both called the local Goethe Institute last summer and asked whether such classes existed. The institute gave them each other's names, and the women began meeting weekly so their children could speak German with one another. (Both have two children.)

Krummel is a permanent resident, having moved to the United States from Austria when she was twelve. Duda is here for just a few years—her husband, Peter, works for the German chemical giant BASF and is currently stationed at the company's Wyandotte subsidiary.

Krummel had taught her children German, but was concerned that, "Once the kids go to school, the home language disappears." For Duda, it was important that her children still be fluent in German when the family returns home.

After a few months of casual meetings, the women decided to organize a more formal school. Duda, who taught at a teacher training school in Germany, runs the elementary class, which meets at Gretchen's House V child care center on Traver, on Fridays from 6 to 8 p.m. Krummel and parent volunteers teach the preschool, which meets at Dixboro United Methodist Church, on Tuesdays from 5 to 6 p.m.

The preschool looks a lot like an American nursery school, except that everyone speaks German. The elementary school is more formal, with homework and lessons—Duda teaches German grammar, reading, and writing. "German schools are tough," explains parent Sermin Hinz, whose husband also works at BASF. "If they're not in the right grade [level when they return to Germany], then they [are held] back."

*Krummel and Duda are networking to identify more potential students. One parent was recruited after Krummel heard her speaking German to her kids in a Kroger parking lot.*

GREGORY FOX

**Teacher Marion Duda and a group of expatriate parents are running an after-hours German-language school as a way to help their kids remain bilingual.**

# Medical Mission

**Ann Arborite Tammy Trybus is working to make people aware of a devastating—and usually misdiagnosed—vomiting disease in children.**

At four months of age, Trybus's son Kevin began vomiting constantly. Two years and several hospitalizations later, his doctor finally made the correct diagnosis: cyclic vomiting syndrome (CVS). CVS is marked by prolonged, agonizing fits of vomiting and nausea that occur seemingly without cause and may last for weeks. During these periods, Kevin vomits "relentlessly," says his mother. "It could be like every two minutes . . . it's so frustrating because there's nothing you can do to help." When he isn't vomiting, says Trybus, "he's lethargic, doesn't want to eat or take water, and he craves sleep."

Fortunately, Kevin's vomiting usually ends with the arrival of summer. But now Trybus's one-year-old daughter Kristen has also been diagnosed with CVS. Their doctor has prescribed Elavil, an anti-migraine drug that sometimes prevents the onset of vomiting. (Doctors believe CVS and migraines are closely related.) "But if the kid wakes up [vomiting] at three in the morning, there's nothing you can do about the episode," notes David Fleisher, a Missouri gastroenterologist. Intravenous fluids and sedative drugs can be the only option.

The important thing, says Fleisher, is to make the correct diagnosis. Children's suffering is magnified when their doctors pass CVS off as the flu or blame it on psychological problems. "It tends to get better just by [children] knowing it has a name, that there's someone who will work with them," says Fleisher. "When people [with CVS] lower their dread and anxiety a little bit, they tend to get better."

CVS may afflict more children than many other well-known disorders. A survey of children in Scotland reported 1.9 percent with cyclic vomiting, and an Australian study identified 2 percent who suffered from "periodic" vomiting. If accurate, that would make CVS "more prevalent than childhood epilepsy and childhood diabetes combined," notes Fleisher.

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In the early 1990s, groups of American and British parents spurred doctors to recognize CVS and to begin research into a cause—and a cure. Trybus, whose family used to run DeFord's department store downtown, is using the media to try to make local doctors and parents more aware of the condition. She's already been written up in the *Detroit News* and has appeared on Channel 2 news.

*"I just feel if I don't push, then my kids are going to suffer from this for God knows how long," says Trybus. "If we don't have the news coverage, then we won't get the funds to do the research." She's in the process of planning her own fund-raiser for CVS research.*

# Bulldozer Time

GLENN BERING

**All of Arborland Mall's small tenants will close by the end of April—but its four largest stores will stay open during the center's reconstruction.**

Tenants in the mall's interior court got the word at the end of February: their leases have been terminated, giving them between thirty and sixty days to make way for the mall's demolition. The long-delayed plan to rebuild Arborland as a "power center"—a large-scale strip mall full of big national chain stores—is going forward, now that four of the mall's big anchor stores have decided they want to stay.

Marshalls will stay put while the mall is torn down around it. New homes for Toys R Us and Service Merchandise will be built on either side of Marshalls. OfficeMax will also stay where it is. Plans show a more attractive center, with facades made of brick, stucco, and glass, and arches and peaks on the ends of the buildings. The owners will spend an estimated $14 million on the project, which should be completed by mid-1999.

In December, the mall's principal owner, Joseph Freed & Associates, said the mall would likely stay open through 1998. But then Marshalls and Service Merchandise insisted on staying open during the transition. "That's one of the reasons for us closing the mall," says Jeff Renkert, spokesman for Freed. "We're working around them."

Many owners and managers are upset about the change in timing. While big chain stores are able to consolidate into other locations, the accelerated schedule left many locally run businesses, from Minsky the Tailor to Originations Gallery,

scrambling to nail down new locations. Nicole Wall opened You and Your Pet, a pet supply and gift store, in December, after hearing Arborland would stay open for at least a year. Now on notice to move out the end of March, she plans to reopen in May in the west side's Maple Village shopping center.

*Meanwhile, demolition has already started. Earthmovers are digging at the west end of the property, where a huge, unidentified store will be built. Part of the recently vacated Burlington Coat Factory building will soon be torn down.*

## Slow to Fill

**A year after opening its doors, Courthouse Square senior apartments is still not fully leased.**

One week after it opened, the former Ann Arbor Inn was 48 percent full, and its manager predicted that the building would be nearly full by October. But in early March, the building was still 20 percent vacant, according to Shelly Rudicil, a marketing specialist for PM Diversified Management.

PM Diversified took over operation of the building after owner First Centrum fired its original management company. "We felt that a fresh approach to the marketing of Courthouse Square would result in a more rapid lease-up," explains First Centrum executive vice-president Bob Salomon. "It was a question of bringing in some fresh talent."

The hotel racked up millions in unpaid taxes after an unsuccessful renovation in the 1980s, but the city sold it to First Centrum for less than $25,000 in an effort to promote affordable downtown housing. So why has the lease-up been so slow?

Rent—$486 or $589 for one-bedroom units, $709 for two bedrooms—is one reason. Carolyn Hastings, executive director of the Housing Bureau for Seniors, explains that residents' income must fall within a narrow window. "If your income is below a certain amount, you can't pay the rent." But, she points out, because of the owner's tax-credit deal, residents "can't be too wealthy, either."

Location and parking are other problems. A lot of seniors just don't want to live in a former downtown hotel, says Hastings. And the nearest reserved parking is three blocks away—too far for many potential residents.

For First Centrum, leasing up the building is a priority because its two-year construction mortgage ran out in January. The loan has been extended, but Salomon won't say for how long. The company can't obtain a permanent mortgage from its lender until the building hits 90 percent occupancy.

*Sequoia Place, the senior complex that opened in 1996 on Maple Road, filled much more rapidly. Thanks to lower rents and on-site parking, it now has a waiting list of prospective tenants.*

## FAKE AD

Fewer than a hundred of you—ninety-five, to be exact—entered our little contest in March, allowing a first-time contestant, Shirley Joan, to walk away with the prize. She's taking her gift certificate to Weber's Grand Cafe. The Fake Ad, as we're sure you all know by now, was for the Eighteen Again clothing consignment shop (p. 94), with the magic word barely hidden in the copy: "Traditional gARB OR WEB-surfing dude duds."

For many entrants, the giveaway was the store's location, which we listed as "Maynard at State Street." Those two streets, of course, don't meet, prompting longtime Fake Ad–er Joseph Moffatt to write, "Please allow me to interject: Maynard and State do not intersect!"

To enter April's contest, identify the Fake Ad by name and page number and E-mail penny@aaobserver.com or fax us at (734) 769–3375. You can also mail your entry or drop it off at 201 Catherine, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. No phone calls, please. Your entry *must* include your name, address, and phone number. As always, the Fake Ad includes the word "arborweb" in some form or another. All correct entries received in the Observer office by noon on Monday, April 13, are eligible. The winner receives a $25 gift certificate to any business advertising in the April issue.

Speaking of arborweb, check out our weekly **arborweb Trivia Challenge** on-line. Test your knowledge of Ann Arbor and win prizes at www.arborweb.com.


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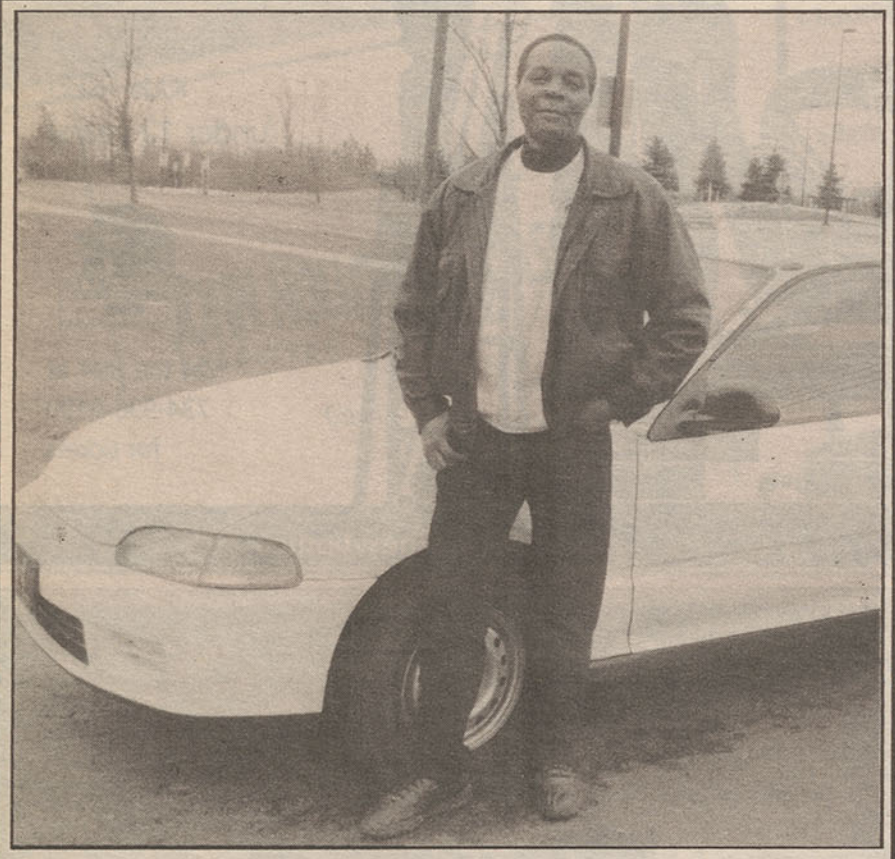

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# Planet Rock

**A palatial new climbing gym will open late this summer.**

Nick Cocciolone, owner of Planet Rock in Pontiac, spent nearly a year searching for an Ann Arbor location ("Risky Business," September 1997). It wasn't easy because his grand plan called for constructing an $800,000 complex with fifty-foot-high walls. He pursued several different sites before hooking up with builder Dave Hughes of Vanston/O'Brien, who was working with a Toledo investor to construct a 30,000-square-foot building off Jackson Road in Scio Township.

After five months of discussion, Scio's zoning board of appeals approved a variance in February, allowing Hughes to build above the township's thirty-foot height limit. The building, which will be located on Aprill Drive directly behind Ann Arbor Acura, will only be forty-two feet high. But Cocciolone will still get his fifty-foot-high climbing walls, since Hughes will begin building eight feet underground.

"We're developing revised plans for permits right now," says Hughes. "And we're getting geared to break ground as soon as the weather breaks." Planet Rock will occupy about a third of the building. A gymnastics facility will occupy another third, and the rest of the space is for rent. Cocciolone says he hopes to open for business in August or September.

*Cocciolone's upscale facility will cast a big shadow over the Ann Arbor Climbing Gym, a modest operation with twenty-foot-high walls. AACG owner Cortland Coene waged an unsuccessful campaign to dissuade Scio from granting Cocciolone's variance. But "don't write our obituary," says Coene. Aware for more than a year that Planet Rock might be coming, he's positioned his gym as the bargain alternative, and vows, "We're going to continue what we're doing."*

# Road Fix?

**The home construction boom in northeast Ann Arbor has created vexing road problems. Now it may finally solve them.**

At least that's the word from Bob Guenther and Lorne Zalesin, whose development plans include agreements to pay for improvements to adjacent roads. Guenther says that strong sales in his Foxfire subdivision could move up the opening of his next phase, which would trigger his agreement to pave the last gravel section of Dhu Varren Road. Zalesin says his Barclay Park, a 281-unit condominium project east of Nixon Road, behind Windemere Park Apartments, has already begun contributing to the cost of paving Nixon from M-14 to Green Road. He's unsure when the city will do the work.

When Guenther signed the site development agreement in 1992 for 400-home Foxfire, he agreed to complete the roadwork in an earlier phase of the project. He won a delay in 1994 after agreeing to shoulder the cost of realigning the road to save trees along its southern edge, which borders Dhu Varren Park. The delay tied the road's completion to work in a later phase, IIC, which Guenther has yet to open.

Until recently, Guenther had not expected to start phase IIC—or to improve Dhu Varren—until 1999. While he says that's still the most likely date, he notes that "sales are real strong right now. If it continues for the next three months, [the paving] may get done this spring."

Between July 1, 1997, and January 31, 1998, city building officials handled permits for seventy-five single-family homes, down from ninety-one in the same period last year. But because 1997's houses were more expensive, dollar volume held steady at $10.7 million. The city also issued permits for apartment construction totaling $5.6 million and $2.1 million worth of condos.

If hot sales don't spur Guenther to pave the road, perhaps complaints might. City engineer Cresson Slotten, mayor Ingrid Sheldon, and other city and county officials all say they get complaints; Slotten says he receives complaints weekly, mainly about the road's often rocky, rutted condition. He refers them to county officials, who grade the road under a contract with the city.

*Work on both roads can't come soon enough for users, who've endured years of potholes, dust, and treacherous ruts in bad weather. "It's a nasty road," says Guenther of the 1,300-foot unpaved section of Dhu Varren. "I don't drive it, I'll tell you that. This time of year it's pretty impassable."*

# Epton and Goliath

**Former city councilman Jeff Epton is relishing his David-and-Goliath showdown with the *Village Voice*.**

In 1993, the longtime Democratic councilman left Ann Arbor for Dayton, Ohio, where he and his wife, Marrianne McMullen, founded the *Dayton Voice*. Now the scrappy little weekly finds itself in the crosshairs of Hartz Mountain, the conglomerate that owns New York City's *Village Voice*.

In February, Epton got a letter from an attorney for Hartz Mountain, ordering him to "cease using our VOICE mark and name in connection with your Dayton publication." The letter claimed that Epton's use of the name *Voice* might lead some to believe that his paper is somehow connected with the *Village Voice (VV)*—a confusion that would dilute the value of the registered trademarks of what the letter archly referred to as "the preeminent alternative newspaper in the United States."

Epton was known in Ann Arbor as council's most charismatic leftist—and its

class clown. Far from scaring him off, the letter stirred his appetite for indignant mischief. "We are using the name *Dayton Voice*," he wrote Hartz Mountain's attorney, "because we are located in Dayton, Ohio, where the name *Village Voice* has less cachet than you might believe." He told a *Wall Street Journal* reporter that when he named the paper, the model he had in mind was not the *VV* but filmmaker Michael Moore's now defunct *Flint* (later *Michigan*) *Voice*, adding, "You East Coast folks may find this hard to believe, but here in the Midwest we sometimes go days—weeks even—without even *thinking* of the *Village Voice*."

In the Pacifica radio network report that broke the story nationally, Epton laughed off the idea that *Dayton Voice* readers would think they were reading a regional version of the *VV*. However, as a precautionary measure, he promised to run the *VV* logo on his cover superimposed with a red slash—the international "not" sign.

He kept that promise—and a week later the *Dayton Voice* also announced a contest to help the *VV* find a new name. Epton says he relishes the prospect of going to court over the issue. "Their claim of harm is based on the notion that the *VV* is the 'preeminent alternative' newsweekly in the country," he said in a phone interview. "I'd love to debate that in court. I'd love to have them explain what's *alternative* about an advertising base that relies heavily on [phone sex] smut ads and lucrative tobacco ads—the crack cocaine of the alternative press."

*Epton says he's already received several entries in his "rename the* Village Voice" *contest, including "the Village Idiot (perhaps a tad hostile), the Town Trumpet (a bit demeaning), One Big Paper (boastful but exuberant), and the Village Imperialist (too 1960s)."* ■


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## Calls & Letters

### *The* News *takes offense*

To the Observer:

In a story in your March edition on the Ann Arbor school redistricting you accuse the *Ann Arbor News* of inaccurately reporting that schools superintendent John Simpson said the state's racial balance guidelines are legally binding. This is a false accusation.

During the board meeting in question on January 21, superintendent Simpson gave some vague responses when asked by trustees about the guidelines. After the meeting, our reporter asked Simpson if the guidelines were legally binding. He said they were.

Your story quotes Simpson's remarks to the board and then says that the *News* "inexplicably" reported that Simpson told the board the guidelines amounted to a state mandate. Our story did not say Simpson said this to the board. A phone call to the *News* would have quickly cleared up your writer's confusion and would have demonstrated the Observer's commitment to the basic journalistic principles of fairness and accuracy.

Sincerely,
David J. Bishop
Associate Editor/Ombudsman
Ann Arbor News

*The only confusion was in the* Ann Arbor News.

*In its January 22 article, the paper reported that "Simpson said state regulations require the district's black enrollment to be between 2 and 32 percent." The following sentence noted that some schools fell outside that range. The next sentence began, "Simpson also advised the board . . ."*

*Reporter Paul Rioux has done a solid job of interpretive reporting on the redistricting debate. Under pressure to complete a story overnight, it's easy to see why he may not have considered it important to distinguish between what the superintendent told the board and what he told the* News *in a subsequent interview. But the schools are governed by the Board of Education, not the* Ann Arbor News, *and what Simpson said to Rioux matters a lot less than what he said to his bosses.*

*By wrongly identifying the context in which Simpson made his comments, the* News *created a false impression that Simpson had misled the board on a critical issue. It's particularly disappointing that the paper failed to correct the error in a subsequent article, compounded it in an editorial, and is now, with Bishop's letter, trying to pretend that it never occurred.*

### Porgy's *an opera*

An Inside Ann Arbor item on the success of recent PBS documentary *Porgy and Bess/An American Voice*, produced by U-M music professor Jim Standifer, called *Porgy* a musical. In fact, the 1935 work by Dubose Heyward and George and Ira Gershwin is generally categorized as an opera or a folk opera.

### *Takeout from W. A. Bowman*

"It is not a restaurant," said Flora Bowman in a phone call. W. A. Bowman, the Fourth Avenue business Bowman is opening with her son Charlie (Marketplace Changes, February) will offer a wide range of freshly prepared food for takeout. "We are a carryout service," said Bowman, "because so many people are working today."


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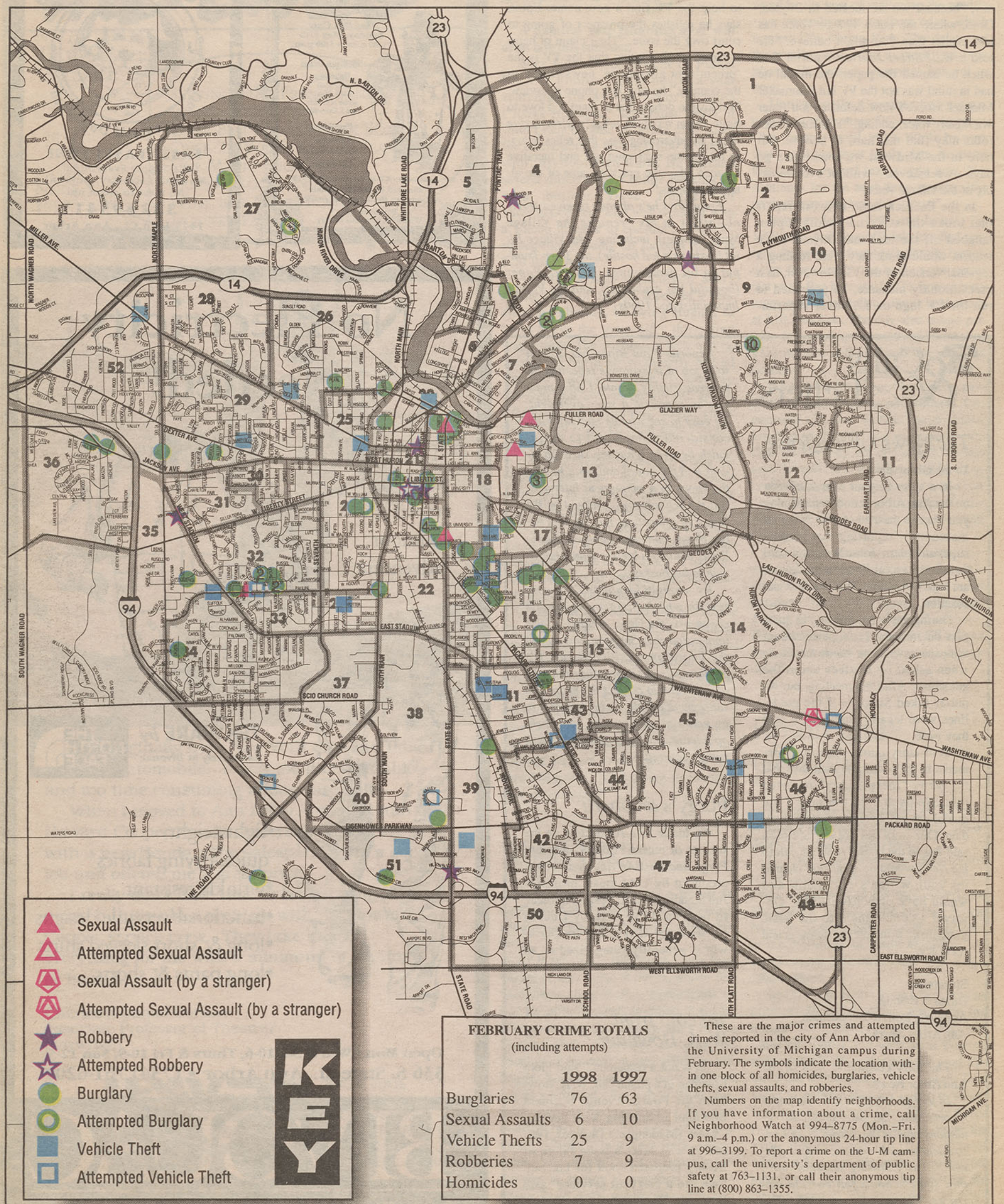


**FEBRUARY CRIME TOTALS**
(including attempts)

| | 1998 | 1997 |
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| Burglaries | 76 | 63 |
| Sexual Assaults | 6 | 10 |
| Vehicle Thefts | 25 | 9 |
| Robberies | 7 | 9 |
| Homicides | 0 | 0 |

These are the major crimes and attempted crimes reported in the city of Ann Arbor and on the University of Michigan campus during February. The symbols indicate the location within one block of all homicides, burglaries, vehicle thefts, sexual assaults, and robberies.

Numbers on the map identify neighborhoods. If you have information about a crime, call Neighborhood Watch at 994–8775 (Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–4 p.m.) or the anonymous 24-hour tip line at 996–3199. To report a crime on the U-M campus, call the university's department of public safety at 763–1131, or call their anonymous tip line at (800) 863–1355.

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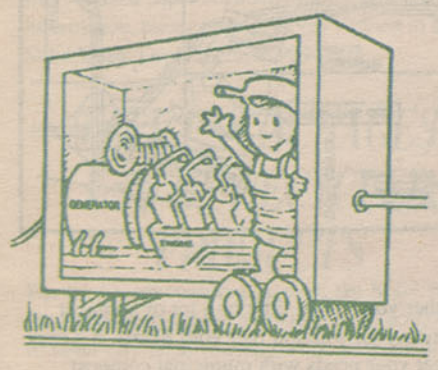
# Earth Day Every Day



## ANN ARBOR LANDFILL ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES CONTINUE

In April of 1990, the citizens of Ann Arbor agreed to finance improvements to the Ann Arbor Municipal Landfill in order to better protect the environment. Since that time, the City of Ann Arbor has made significant progress toward the goals set forth by its citizens. The city has now completed a state-of-the-art "cover" over roughly 60 acres of its Phase II landfill, with a complete built-in gas collection system and storm drainage network.

When contaminated groundwater was encountered at the landfill and outside its northern boundaries, the city began an ongoing groundwater clean up effort which to date has resulted in significant improvement in the quality of the surrounding groundwater and prevention of further groundwater contamination. The city has installed several purge wells at the edge of the landfill's northern boundary and has constructed almost two miles of a unique underground groundwater cut-off wall, known as a slurry wall, on three sides of the landfill.

Because landfills generate methane and other gases as a result of the decomposition of refuse, it is also natural for the landfill gas to travel underground, if it is left alone. To collect and control the landfill gases, the City of Ann Arbor has installed a gas recovery system at the landfill. It is the city's intention to turn this gas into a useful source of energy (see: E=MC(A)2* story). To make sure that the landfill gas does not escape the landfill boundaries, the city has in place an extensive landfill gas monitoring program, which is being upgraded regularly. All the monitoring to date has shown no indication of landfill gases at buildings near the landfill.

## THE ANN ARBOR AREA CLEAN CITIES PROGRAM

The City of Ann Arbor is leading the way to bring the US Department of Energy's "Clean Cities Program" to the Ann Arbor area. The program, coordinated through the city's Energy Office, utilizes federal assistance to form partnerships to expand the use of alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuels to power vehicles. Alternate fuel vehicles (AFV's) can be powered by electricity, natural gas, methanol, ethanol, propane, hydrogen, or bio-fuels, to name a few. The benefits of the program include cleaner air and reduced reliance on foreign oil. It also helps us shift to more sustainable sources of energy.

A major difficulty in encouraging the purchase of AFV's is that it is a "chicken and egg" kind of process where no one wants to buy alternate fuel vehicles when they can't get the fuel, and no one wants to build the fueling facilities until there are enough AFV's needing fuel. The Ann Arbor Area Clean Cities Program has brought together the city, the county, the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority, the Ann Arbor Public Schools, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and the Ecology Center to purchase vehicles, build fueling stations, and educate fleet owners and others about the benefits of AFV's. A $542,000 program to build fueling stations and purchase vehicles is already underway.

The Ann Arbor coalition is just finishing up its formal application to the US Department of Energy to become a certified "Clean City." The application includes plans and commitments by the partners to purchase AFV's, build fueling facilities, and educate the public about AFV's. Once official certification is achieved, additional federal funding and assistance for the Ann Arbor area should be available. The current focus of the local group is on businesses that operate a fleet of 20 or more vehicles, encouraging them to try at least a few AFV's. The ultimate goal of the local group is to get the demand and fueling infrastructure to a point where anyone can go to a local car dealer, purchase an AFV, and fuel it in a convenient location. (The Ann Arbor Area Clean Cities Coalition is planning to provide numerous types of AFV's for display and demonstration at the Leslie Science Center's "Earth Day Celebration" on April 26th.)

## E=MC(A)2*

On Earth Day, April 22, the public is invited to celebrate the completion of the city's Landfill Gas-to-Energy project at the city's closed landfill, located at 4120 Platt Road near East Ellsworth. Following the 3 pm ceremony, Mayor Sheldon will pull the switch to direct the collected methane gas from the landfill into two stainless steel engines, which will be used to generate electricity. The engines will produce an estimated 1.6 megawatts of electricity an hour—enough to supply the electrical power to more than a thousand households!

This innovative landfill gas-to-energy project is a joint effort between the City of Ann Arbor, Detroit Edison, Biomass Energy Systems, and Landfill Energy Systems. For more information on this project, call the city's Energy Coordinator, Dave Konkle at 996-3160. For directions to the grand opening, call the Solid Waste Department, 994-2807.

*Energy = Methane Conversion in Ann Arbor!

## CITY MAKES COMMITMENT TO FIGHT GLOBAL WARMING

The City Council approved a proposal by the Ann Arbor Energy Commission last October to join the "Cities for Climate Protection Program." This is a United Nations sponsored program through the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) to assist local efforts to reduce global warming emissions. While our federal government is still debating whether to honor commitments made by President Clinton in the Kyoto Global Warming Treaty, this city is moving forward to help insure a stable environment for our children.

The local initiative is spearheaded by the Ann Arbor Energy Commission which will oversee a three step program to reduce local global warming emissions. The first step is to determine the current total global warming emissions generated from the Ann Arbor area. These emissions come from most energy sources; gasoline, oil, natural gas, coal, and propane. Electricity is an indirect

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# Earth Day Every Day continued...

source since most of it is produced from the burning of coal, oil, or natural gas. The decomposition of waste, in landfills and elsewhere, is also a contributor to global warming. The second step is to formulate a plan to reduce these emissions, and the third step is to implement the plan.

With 50 cities in the US and another 130 cities worldwide already in the program, the members plan to share information and help each other implement successful programs. United Nations funding recently enable three representatives from Ann Arbor to attend an ICLEA sponsored workshop in Washington, D.C. in early March. This workshop trained representatives on techniques to gather the community emission data and complete the first stage of the program. The Energy Commission plans to complete the data gathering stage and issue a report in the fall.

The second stage recommendations may include programs to increase energy efficiency, encourage alternate fuel vehicles, use renewable energy sources where practical, and capture landfill gasses, all of which are included in the Ann Arbor Energy Plan. Many of these programs are already underway in Ann Arbor.

## NEWS FROM THE MRF

**Recycling tonnages continue to rise!**
In the latest report from the city's Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) operator, the overall tonnages of materials are continuing to increase! There are now over 2,000 tons of recyclables each month going through the city's MRF. Thank you all for separating your recyclables!

**#3 Plastic bottles no longer recyclable.**
The recycling markets have vanished for polyvinyl chloride plastic bottles—marked with a PVC or #3 on the bottom. The PVC industry stopped subsidizing the recovery of this product, which seems to have prompted the collapse of the regional PVC bottle recycling factories. Many of the products that use #3 plastics, such as sports drinks and mouth wash, are also available in recyclable #1 or #2 plastic bottles. Please "choose just ones and twos" when it comes to buying recyclable plastic bottles and jugs!

**Remember to flip your lids!**
Although a little "contamination" of non-recyclable materials in the recycling bins is expected, the number of metal lids and caps on glass bottles (and caps on plastic) is getting excessive. Please remove ALL lids, caps, tops from your bottles. The separated metal lids can still be recycled in the containers bin. All plastic lids should be discarded.

Be slick and recycle glossy magazines and catalogs. See related article on "Year of the Magazine."

For 24-hour information on recycling, refuse, compost and the holiday collection schedules, dial 99-GREEN, 994-7336 or visit the city's web site at http://www.ci.ann-arbor.mi.us.

## 1998 IS YEAR OF THE FIBER/ MAGAZINE

Paper products make up 75 percent of the materials recovered in Ann Arbor last year. Over 60 percent of these fibers are made of newspaper. This is an admirable recovery rate, but there is still room for improvement!

Shiny, enamel-coated papers, such as are found in magazines, advertisements and catalogs are now recyclable and are even highly desirable by Michigan recycled paper mills. In the newer recycled paper mills, the enamel "clay" coating is used to help de-ink papers, thus requiring lower amounts of bleaching chemicals in the recycling process.

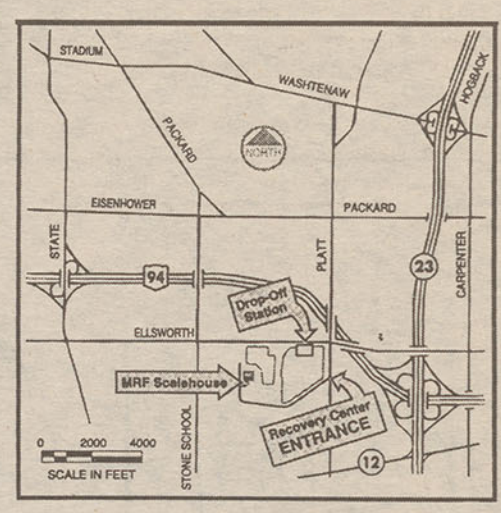
Based on national paper production and printing survey data, our community receives an average of 2,000 tons of magazines/year. Ann Arbor is currently recovering only about 30 percent of these magazines annually. There is certainly room to increase our recovery rates, especially if we recycle more of our catalogs, advertising "slicks" and soft-cover books as well as magazines!

Please recycle your magazines and help increase our recycling rates and decrease our landfill tonnages.

## "COMPOSTABLES" ROUNDUP

The weekly curbside collection of residential "Compostables" resumes in April. Simply place leaves, grass clippings, weeds and brush in 30-35 gallon cans marked with a "Compostable" label (free labels are available from the City Hall Information Desk) or use 30-gallon paper bags (available from local retailers). Tree branches up to 6" in diameter may be cut into 3-4 foot lengths and tied into bundles up to 18" in diameter. Each can, bag or bundle may weigh up to 50 pounds. Compostables are collected April through November on the weekly refuse and recycling curbside collection days. (Plastic bags are not accepted for storing Compostables because the plastic contaminates the composting process and the finished humus, however plastic bags are acceptable for containing refuse.) Compostables may also be taken to the city's Drop-Off Station, 2950 E. Ellsworth at no charge for city residents and $12/cubic yard for non-residents, 971-7400.

## COMPOST SALES: TWO SIZES FITS ALL




Whether you need a little or a lot of compost to enrich your soil and fuel your plants, it's easy to meet your needs with municipal compost and mulch.

For self-loaded bushels of compost ($1), bags ($2/40 lbs) or small truckloads ($12/cubic yard), use the Drop-Off Station at 2950 E. Ellsworth near Platt Road, open Monday-Friday 10 am-5 pm and Saturday 9 am- 5 pm (April to October, open weekdays to 7 pm) 971-7400. Just pre-pay at the Drop-Off Station gatehouse and load up your vehicle. Wood mulch is available for $.75/bushel and $7/cubic yard, self-loaded.

Large quantities of mechanically-loaded compost or mulch are available for sale at the Resource Recovery Center, off 4120 Platt Road on weekdays from 8 am to 3:30 pm (Saturdays from 9 am to 12:30 pm, 8 am to Noon during April, May and June only.) All bulk compost must be pre-paid at the site scalehouse. Fees are $12/cubic yard for compost and $3/cubic yard plus a $10 loader fee for mulch, 971-8600. All trucks must be tarped before exiting the site.

For information on composting at home, visit the Compost Demonstration Site on the Project Grow Community Gardens, at the Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Road, or call the Washtenaw County Master Composter Program at 994-2398.

## COMING CLEAN WITH CHLORINE-FREE RECYCLED PAPER

The City of Ann Arbor has been committed to using recycled content paper products since 1989. Recycled content paper takes less energy to produce, creates less air and water pollution, conserves natural resources and improves markets for the city's collected paper products.

In 1995, City Council expanded its commitment to environmental stewardship by agreeing to favor

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the procurement of non-chlorine bleached recycled content paper products. Almost all paper mills in the US use chlorine or chlorine compounds to bleach wood pulp. The result is white paper, but also chlorine-based toxins that have been associated with cancer, reduced sperm counts, decreased fertility, developmental defects and greater susceptibility to disease. The International Joint Commission on the Great Lakes and the United States Environmental Protection Agency have confirmed these findings, and have urged the development and use of alternatives.

While chlorine-free paper is generally more expensive (because it is produced in much lower quantities), the city remains committed to its use whenever possible. Please make it a point to ask your printer/supplier for information about chlorine-free recycled paper alternatives. For additional information, please contact Bryan Weinert in the Solid Waste Department, at 994-2807.

## *CITY ENCOURAGES USE OF RECYCLED PRODUCTS*

For the fourth consecutive year, the Solid Waste Department has made available up to $50,000 to other city departments for the purpose of encouraging the use of recycled content products. Departments compete for these grant dollars based on need, public visibility, volume or weight of recycled materials used, level of innovation and ability to replicate the project.

This year's award winners include the Police Department's Investigative and Data Processing Divisions, the Leslie Science Center, Argo Park, and the Planning Department. Past and current awards have included the use of refurbished office panels and furniture, recycled content carpeting and flooring, ceiling tiles, park benches, planters, picnic tables, bleachers, pavers, paving crack seal (made from recycled tires) and recycled content kayaks for Argo and Gallup Parks.

For more information on the city's buy-recycled programs, or for information on recycled content products for your home or business, please contact Bryan Weinert in the Solid Waste Department, at 994-2807.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 1:00-5:00 PM
AT THE LESLIE SCIENCE CENTER

**Come Celebrate Earth Day with us!**

We'll have
- Experiments
- Live animal presentations
- Art projects
- Educational displays
- Refreshments

**Special Features**
- All Species Parade
- Alternative Fuel Vehicles
- Arbor Day Celebration

**Events**

**1:00 pm Wildlife Recovery** by Joe Rogers bringing Michigan animals to life with birds of prey & mammals
**2:15 pm All Species Parade** makes a grand entrance
**2:30 pm Wildlife Recovery** by Joe Rogers
**3:30 pm Enviromagic**
an energy magic show by Detroit Edison
**4:00pm Wildlife Recovery** by Joe Rogers

**FREE ADMISSION!!!**

Leslie Science Center is located at 1831 Traver Rd., Ann Arbor. Call 662-7802 for further information. Sponsored by the State of Michigan Energy Resource Division and hosted by the City of Ann Arbor Department of Parks and Recreation, The Ecology Center and Project Grow Community Gardens. For special accommodation or accessibility, call 994-2780 (TDD#994-2700).

Project Grow Community Gardens
Ecology Center
Parks&Recreation City of Ann Arbor


## *EARTH CAFE SERIES ON CTN*

A 12-part series on the environment will be shown on Ann Arbor's Community Television Network (CTN) Channel 10, starting in April. Produced in Denver in cooperation with the US Environmental Protection Agency, each half-hour Earth Cafe program examines a facet of the contemporary environment.

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| Episode 1 | Outdoor Air |
| Episode 2 | Water Cycle |
| Episode 3 | Recycling |
| Episode 4 | Water Quality & Conservation |
| Episode 5 | Energy Conservation |
| Episode 6 | Technology |
| Episode 7 | Indoor Air |
| Episode 8 | Land Toxins |
| Episode 9 | Common Sense Solutions |
| Episode 10 | Ecosystems |
| Episode 11 | The Global Environment |
| Episode 12 | Environmental Protection |

Each Earth Cafe episode includes factual overviews, humorous skits, discussions and interviews to explain current environmental issues and solutions. Many of Denver's success stories are also mirrored in Ann Arbor's efforts to protect the environment. For example, the city's water treatment plant recently installed a state-of the-art ozonation purification system; Ann Arbor's municipal waste reduction program ranks in the top 20 in North America according to the Institute for Local Self-Reliance; local Adopt-a-Stream projects involve volunteer businesses, schools, service groups and individuals in order to help monitor and maintain clean waterways.

"Earth Cafe" will premiere on CTN Cable Channel 10 on Sunday, April 5, 1998 at 9 pm. The 12-week series will run weekly as follows - Sundays at 9 pm.; Thursdays at 7 pm.; Saturdays at 3 pm. Bon Appetit!

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# Update From The Parks

Crew preparing for a prescribed burn.

## GET INVOLVED IN OUR NATURAL AREAS!

Restoration. Preservation. What do these words mean in Ann Arbor parks? For park natural areas, restoration and preservation are actions that maintain the diversity of native plants and animals and provide assurance that the woodlands, wetlands and prairies remain healthy natural communities. The team at the Natural Area Preservation Division works in a variety of ways to protect, maintain and restore park natural areas. Stewardship of these areas is taking place through a variety of activities: monitoring, population surveys, removal of non-native invasive plants, encouraging native plant species, and reintroducing natural processes (such as the controlled ecological burns conducted each spring).

Stewardship is taking action to have healthy natural communities. Are you ready to become involved in Natural Area Preservation? Volunteers can participate with Natural Area Preservation in many ways, for example:

**Survey or Monitor-** Help to tally the population of frogs, birds, and butterflies in and around Ann Arbor parks, or help with photo monitoring or other projects.

**Restoration & Stewardship-** Join a work day, become a park steward - remove invasive plants, train to be a prescribed ecological burn crew-member, control erosion, garden, or collect, clean and sow native seeds all while learning more about our local native and natural environment.

Ready to get Started? Check the Observer calendar each month for a listing of volunteer opportunities with Natural Area Preservation. Put on your work gloves and we'll see you soon!

Curious about what Natural Area Preservation staff are up to this spring? April is our busiest season for controlled ecological burns. These fires are an indispensable tool in controlling invasive plants in woodlands, wetlands and prairies. Staff and volunteers will also work at invasive species control through other methods specifically targeting garlic mustard, myrtle, buckthorn and honeysuckle. Plus, we look forward to meeting new volunteers at the stewardship work days scheduled for spring!

Kids playing at Leslie Science Center.

## LESLIE SCIENCE CENTER RECOGNIZED

The Leslie Science Center has been the recipient of three grants and one award:

The Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation gave $5005 to the Leslie Science Center and the Natural Area Preservation Division of the Ann Arbor Department of Parks & Recreation enabling students to become "stewards" of the city parks that are located close to their schools and neighborhoods. The Science Center will lead students on field trips to study animal and plant interdependence, identification and adaptations of local plants and animals, and the emergence of invasive species. The Natural Area Preservation staff will make recommendations for restoration projects. Working with Parks staff, students will remove invasive species and plant oak and hickory seedlings within their neighborhood park, helping the city-wide restoration effort.

The Environmental Protection Agency awarded $4,888 to the Leslie Science Center and the City of Ann Arbor Solid Waste Department for an exciting recycling project geared toward third graders. Students will first engage in classroom activities relating to recycling with the Ecology Center. Then they will take an all-day field trip, spending the morning at the Leslie Science Center learning about the concepts of natural cycles and how fragile they can be, followed by an afternoon at the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) learning about non-wasteful alternatives and viewing the interior of the MRF facility to see how recyclables are sorted and processed. Support will be offered to schools interested in implementing or extending a recycling program of their own.

The State of Michigan Energy Resources Division has given the Leslie Science Center $4,995 to host the Earth Day Festival held on April 26, 1998. The Science Center, along with the Ecology Center and Project Grow Community Gardens, will be offering this educational event for families, focusing on energy efficiency and renewable resources.

And finally, The Leslie Science Center was recently presented with the 1998 Innovative Recreation Programming Award by the Michigan Recreation and Park Association. The Science Center's program, "Halloween Haunts" was recognized for its unique design and its focus on children's education.

Forsythe Park

## FORSYTHE PARK

Forsythe Park, named after the original land owner, began as an old gas station on the busy corner of Packard and Arch. The city purchased the property in 1974 through a unique collaboration and it became a city park, 1/3 acre in size. When it was first purchased, neighborhood residents in conjunction with the Ann Arbor Jaycees donated well over 1000 volunteer hours and some funding to transform the site from a contaminated eyesore to a useful park. But over the years it became obvious that the park was in need or renovation and updating. In hopes of recreating the original volunteer efforts at the park, the Department of Parks and Recreation with Pam Stuckman as Park Planner, redesigned the area and contacted organizations regarding the need for renovation. The effort was successful as neighbors and Ann Arbor Jaycees once again came forward to help transform the park. A grant was provided from the city's Solid Waste Department Buy Recycled Grant Program to assist in funding, and artist Matt De Genaro was commissioned to design a sculpture from recycled materials representing the "Reduce, Reuse and Recycle concept." Collective efforts from the city's Park Operations staff and Margolis Nursery created a new plaza that demonstrates prudent use of our resources while creating a beautiful setting. In honor of this special effort, the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association awarded Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation their "Innovative Park Resource Award", stating "through a partnership with neighbors, service organizations, businesses, and city department, Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation successfully demonstrates prudent use of resources, especially at a time when our environment is so fragile. The result of this collaborative effort is an attractive plaza providing a place for children and community members to gather."

## LANDFILL PLAN MOVING FORWARD

The Ann Arbor Departments of Parks and Recreation and Solid Waste are coordinating the development of a reuse plan for the former city landfill and adjacent city-owned land (400 acres in total). The property is located south and west of Ellsworth and Platt Roads.

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The city has established a Steering Committee to oversee the development of this reuse plan. Working with a team of consultants, the planning process has included interviews with people having a particular interest in the property, an environmental site assessment of the property, and two public forums to generate ideas for possible use. The committee is currently in the process of transforming these ideas into three to five likely scenarios, for further review by policymakers and the general public.

Additional public forums are planned. If you would like more information about this planning process, please contact Gerry Clark at the Department of Parks and Recreation at 994-1815.

## SOUTHEAST AREA PARK

This new 26-acre park is located at the northwest corner of Ellsworth and Platt Roads (2945 E. Ellsworth Rd.) and will be fully open to the public by mid-summer 1998. It will provide residents of Ann Arbor with a variety of active and passive recreation opportunities. The park offers two play areas that are not only barrier-free but are constructed out of nearly 100% recycled wood fiber. Recycled products also include:

- Rubber cushion safety matts from recycled tires.
- Recycled plastic and aluminum used in all of the park benches, players benches, picnic tables and in the posts for trash barrels and signs.
- Recycled and recyclable aluminum used in the bleachers.
- Soccer field player benches made of recycled plastic milk jugs.
- Chain link fencing made of recycled steel.
- Cushioned surfacing used on the tournament-quality basketball court made with recycled rubber from NIKE basketball shoes (funded through a grant from NIKE Corporation through the cooperation of the City of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan).

The park features two lighted softball fields and a basketball court. The park is designed to provide recreation opportunities for everyone, with a focus on accessibility, safety, fun and athletics.

A Grand Opening celebration is scheduled for late summer, 1998. The citizens of the Southeast Area Task Force, who helped plan this park, along with area residents and future park users are invited. Call the Department of Parks and Recreation for updated information on the Grand Opening at (734) 994-2780, TDD (734) 994-2700.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR GOLF EVENTS

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| May 1 & 29 | Nite Lite Golf Tournaments<br>Huron Hills Golf Course |
| May 17 | Spring Scramble Golf Tournament<br>Leslie Park Golf Course |
| May 23 | Customer Appreciation Day<br>Huron Hills Golf Course |
| June 10 & 11 | Senior Golf Tournament<br>Leslie Park Golf Course |
| June 17 & 18 | Girls Junior Golf Tournament<br>Huron Hills Golf Course |

For more information, please call Huron Hills Golf Course, (971-6840) or Leslie Park Golf Course (994-1163).

## THINK SPRING!

Gallup Park (3000 Fuller Road) and Argo Park (1055 Longshore Dr.) Canoe Liveries open for the season on Saturday, April 4. Gallup spring hours are 9 am - 7 pm on weekends and holidays and 11 am - 7 pm on weekdays through May 22. (Hours are extended in summer months.) Argo is open from 9 am - 8 pm weekends only, through May 17. Gallup Park will host its annual salute to spring with "Ice Out Paddle" on opening day from 11 am - 3 pm. The fee is $6 per person or $10 per 2-person canoe and includes hot chili and beverages. To register, please call 662-9319.

## THINK CLEAN!

There will be a city-wide Huron River Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 18. Join crews from the Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab and the Environmental Protection Agency to help clean up targeted areas of the river. Call David Fanslow at 741-2353 or 663-7191 to register your group or to join an existing group.

## THINK CORPORATE FUN!

Although there are several weeks left before the 1998 Corporate Challenge Canoe Race, it's filling fast! The Corporate Challenge Canoe Race, sponsored by Ameritech, Ann Arbor News, Ann Arbor Subaru, Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation, Parke-Davis and Rock 103 WIQB, is scheduled for Sunday, July 12, at Gallup Park boat launch at 11:30 am. The two-person canoes will have to row 3/4 mile, including one easy-to-maneuver turn, offering just the right amount of challenge to any canoeist. The corporate donation is $275 for the first canoe and $225 for any additional canoes. All proceeds benefit the Parks & Recreation Scholarship Fund for disadvantaged kids in Ann Arbor.

The following companies are already among the strong, the brave and the few:

A.F. Smith Electric
Ameritech
Ann Arbor News
Ann Arbor Subaru
Bivouac
Creative Windows & Walls
Cybernet Systems
Espresso Royale Caffe
NuStep
Parke-Davis
QED Environmental Systems
Rock 103 WIQB
Software Services

Join the fun and help kids in the process....call 994-2284 for registration information. (Special thanks to additional sponsors AATA, Ann Arbor Rowing Club, Arbor Springs Water Co., Barry Bagel's, Bodywise Therapeutic Massage, The Gifted Basket, T.U.B.A., Vruit, and Whole Foods Market.)

## THINK SPOKES, TIRES, PEDAL POWER!

BIKE TO WORK WEEK takes place May 17-23 and Parks & Recreation organizers are encouraging everyone to try bicycle commuting this whole week or at least once on Bike to Work Day, Tuesday, May 19! During Bike to Work Day bicycle commuters can park their car at a city-owned park facility or at one of several bicycle stores and bike to work from there. Those who commute by bike that day may stop at the following "checkpoints" between the hours of 7 am and 9 am to register and receive discounts on coffee and pastries: Dough Boys Bakeries, Espresso Royale Caffe, Zingerman's, Cobblestone Farm, Gallup Park Meeting Room, Huron Hills Golf Course, and Veterans Memorial Park Pool. Special discounts on helmets and other selected commuting equipment will be given during the whole week at Ann Arbor Cyclery, Campus Bike and Toy, Washtenaw Cycle & Fitness, Cycle Cellar, Jerry's Bicycles & Fitness, Town & Country Cyclery & Fitness, Great Lakes Cycling & Fitness and the Student Bike Shop.

In preparation for the week, there will be Pre-Bike-To-Work-Week Bicycle Maintenance Clinics held on May 5, 7, 12, & 14. The clinics are held at Ann Arbor Cyclery, 1224 Packard Road, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm for $5 per session. Class size is limited to 8 people. Call 761-2749 to pre-register.

An Effective Cycling Class will be held May 16 & 23 from 1 - 5 pm and noon - 5 pm respectively. (A total of 9 hours of instruction). The fee is $50 and includes materials and text. Graduates of this class will gain knowledge of road sharing, mechanical failure, traffic hazards, road conditions, and more. Pre-registration is necessary. Call 971-5471.

Bicycle Safety Workshops can be customized for your own group or business. For more information or a free brochure, please call 971-5471.

## THINK COMMUNITY SERVICE!

THE 10TH ANNUAL DOWNTOWN SPRING CLEANUP IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 16...VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Those wishing to join the effort should meet at 8 am at the Larcom Municipal Building (City Hall) parking lot, 100 N. 5th Ave. Volunteers are asked to bring gloves, brooms, and planting trowels. In appreciation for participation, there will be a complimentary pizza lunch in Liberty Plaza Park. The event is open to individuals, families, community service organizations, neighborhood groups and youth organizations. Free parking is available in the Ann and Ashley parking structure. Program sponsors include the Girl and Boy Scouts, Ann Arbor Area 2000, S. University Merchants Association, Main Street Area Association, State Street Area Association, Kerrytown Association, the city Parks and Recreation, Solid Waste and Public Services Departments and several banks and pizza stores. For more information, please call Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation at 994-2780. Special assistance or accommodations are available (TDD # 994-2700).

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# 5 TIPS for a Healthy Lawn, a Healthy River, and a Healthy Pocketbook!

*FOLLOW ALL FIVE or choose a few to try!*

## tip 1 Choose the right seed mix for our area and the right size lawn for you.

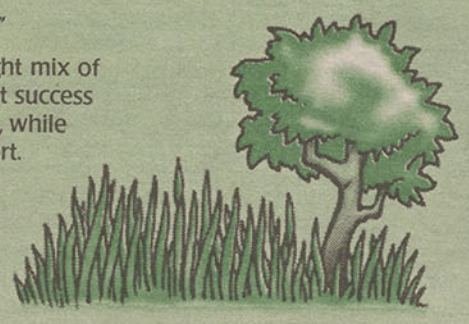
• The best seed mix for Michigan will contain Kentucky bluegrass, fescues, and perennial rye-grass. Note that Kentucky bluegrass needs sun. (To learn more, contact Washtenaw County Extension's Master Gardener Program at 971-1056.)

• Save time and money by creating a smaller lawn area and using native trees, shrubs, grasses, and flowers to landscape the rest of your yard. (To learn more, call Wild Ones, a non-profit organization providing information about native landscaping, at 763-0645. Ann Arbor residents can also call the Natural Area Preservation Division of Parks & Recreation at 996-3266.)

**"WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?"**

• Starting off with the right mix of seed will ensure the most success in establishing your lawn, while minimizing time and effort.

• Smaller lawns require less time and money to maintain.



## tip 2 Mow High.

Keep your grass at least three inches high. This will promote healthier roots and a healthier lawn. The most common mistake many homeowners make is cutting the grass too short. It is important not to remove more than one third of the grass blade in mowing to ensure healthy roots. Call 994-2666 for a free "mowing marker" to help keep your grass at least three inches high.

**"WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?"**

• Tall grass gets more sun so it is better able to make its own food and doesn't need as much fertilizer, saving you money. If you leave your grass clippings, you may not need to fertilize at all.

• Taller grass tolerates hot and dry conditions better. It develops deeper roots, enabling it to reach deep into the soil for water. It also shades the soil and reduces evaporation.

• Taller grass contains fewer weeds because it shades them out.

## tip 3 Be Smart About Watering.

You may not have to water at all if you've mowed high, a practice which should result in healthier roots and a more vigorous lawn (see tip 2.) In the hot, dry summer, grass grows slowly and the blades turn brown. But the plants don't die. If you can bear this stage, your grass will green up soon after it rains.

**"WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?"**

• Not watering saves you time and money. Try not watering a "test patch" of grass for a year and see how you like it. If your test patch was successful, indicating that your lawn has a deep, healthy root system, try a larger section next year. Your grass may turn brown (remember the roots are still healthy), but you will not have to spend every weekend setting up the sprinkler and moving it around the yard.

An added bonus: you won't have to mow as much because, without water, your grass grows more slowly.

If you do choose to water, 1/2 inch to 1 1/2 inches a week is the rule. MSU research shows that light frequent applications (daily for 10-15 minutes) are much more productive than heavy applications once a week.

## tip 4 Feed your lawn only what it needs.

• Grass clippings are the best food for your lawn. The clippings supply nitrogen your lawn needs to stay healthy. And, the nutrients are added in the best way possible: slowly. Note: Grass clippings do not cause thatch. Thatch is caused by dead grass stems that are sloughed off and become wood-like as new grass grows. Excessive fertilization and watering may encourage thatch.

• If you have higher expectations for your lawn, find out what it needs. Grass needs sufficient nitrogen, which promotes top growth. It also needs phosphorus for root development and potassium for strong stems and disease resistance, but in limited amounts. Have your soil tested by the Washtenaw County Extension Office (call 971-1056) for phosphorus, potassium, and pH. Nitrogen is hard to measure accurately, so soil tests do not measure it.

If you use fertilizer, use caution.* Fertilizer can pollute our water. It can cause excess algae growth which robs fish of oxygen and us of recreational opportunities/activities. Fertilizing right before it rains may seem like a good idea, but in fact the fertilizer will not have time to soak into the soil and will run directly to the River through the storm drains. Also, take care not to spill fertilizer on sidewalks, driveways, and other hard surfaces that wash directly into the storm drain.

**Waterways in the area have had problems due to excess phosphorus. Fertilizers have three numbers such as 10-10-10 or 6-2-0 or 34-3-4. These numbers indicate the percentage of nitrogen (the first number), phosphorus (the middle number), and potassium (the last number) in the bag. Please, if you fertilize, use a fertilizer with the lowest possible number for phosphorus.*

**"WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?"**

• You'll spend less money on fertilizer. (Possibly none.)

• Eliminating or reducing fertilizer usage protects our waterways. Excess algae growth in some lakes and creeks has led to a drastic reduction in recreational opportunities.

## tip 5 Spend more time doing things you enjoy.

Don't let lawn care become the national pastime. Once you plant the right grass, mow it high and only when it is needed, and water and fertilize wisely (if at all), you are ready for the best part of lawn care: forgetting about it. If you follow the tips above you will have a healthy lawn with minimal effort. You will also have more time to do the things you enjoy.

GIVE WATER A HAND
Make a Difference

*A cooperative education effort between the City of Ann Arbor Water Utilities Department (994-2666) and the Huron River Watershed Council (769-5123).*

# Word On The Street...

## 1998 ANNUAL STREET RESURFACING PROJECT

We are once again using recycled asphalt pavement for the Annual Street Resurfacing program. 25-35%, or approximately 18 million pounds of the 60 million pounds of asphalt we will use to resurface streets this summer will be recycled asphalt pavement. We have been using recycled asphalt for over ten years.

Additionally, all of the approximately 60 million pounds of asphalt that will be removed from streets this summer, as well as approximately 8 million pounds of concrete in the form of curbs, sidewalks, and drive approaches will be recycled and incorporated into other construction projects. Even the liquid asphalt used to bind the new paving mixture together is a by-product of the oil/gasoline refining process.

"Without question, this project is the city's biggest recycling effort of the year," says Bryan Weinert, manager of resource recovery for the city. "This project will not only enhance the community's quality of life through smoother and safer roads, but will also improve local environmental quality by reducing the need for local mineral mining and limited landfill space."

The following streets are scheduled for repaving as part of this years Annual Street Resurfacing Project. The total cost of the project is estimated to be $3,300,000.

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| Alley: 4th Ave. to 5th Ave. | from Ann St. to Catherine St. |
| Amherst Ave. | from Pontiac St. to Longshore Dr. |
| Andover Rd. | from Pepper Pike Rd. to End |
| Beechwood Dr. | from Sunset Rd. to Huronview Blvd. |
| Bernice Ave. | from Center Dr. to Patricia Ave. |
| Cambridge Rd. | from Hill St. to Day St. |
| Cambridge Rd. | from Baldwin Ave. to Lincoln Ave. |
| Chesterfield Dr. | from Packard Rd. to Cranbrook Dr. |
| Churchill Dr. | from Scio Church Rd. to End |
| City Dr. | from Miller Ave. to N. Circle Dr. |
| Covington Dr. | from Scio Church Rd. to End |
| Culver Rd. | from Orkney Dr. to Orkney Dr. |
| Cumberland Ave. | from Canturbury Rd. to Hampshire Rd. |
| Darrow Dr. | from Margaret Dr. S'ly to Yost |
| Dundee Dr. | from Morehead Dr. to End |
| Eberwhite Blvd. | from Liberty St. to Lutz Ave. |
| Elder Blvd. | from Crest Ave. to Eberwhite Blvd. |
| Elizabeth St. | from High St. to Kingsley St. |
| Frederick Dr. | from Green Rd. to Middleton Dr. |
| Haisley Dr. | from N. Maple Rd. to End |
| Harvard Pl. | from Geddes Ave. to End |
| Heatherway St. | from Devonshire Rd. to Glendaloch Rd. |
| King George Blvd. (Southbound) | from Packard Rd. to Eisenhower Pkwy. |
| Lans Way | from Seventh St. to Delaware Dr. |
| Linden St. | from Geddes Ave. to South University |
| Lois Ct. | from Red Oak Rd. to End |
| Lutz Ave. | from S. Seventh St. to End |
| Martha Ave. | from Arella Blvd. to Ardmoor Ave. |
| Middleton Dr. | from Frederick Dr. to Frederick Dr. |
| Monroe St. | from State St. to Tappan St. |
| Oakland Ave. | from Monroe St. to Hill St. |
| Oakland Ave. | from East University to Forest Ave. |
| Orkney Dr. | from Sunset Rd. to Culver Rd. |
| Overridge Dr. | from Arlington Blvd. to Glenwood Rd. |
| Packard Rd. (North Lane) | from 300' East to 300' West of Burton Rd. |
| Patricia Ave. | from Sequoia Pkwy. N'ly 225' |
| Sequoia Pkwy. | from Ravenwood Ave. to Dellwood Dr. |
| Soule Blvd. | from W. Liberty St. to End |
| Virnankay Circle | from Pauline Blvd. to Pauline Blvd. |
| N. University Ct. | from Observatory St. to End |
| Wakefield Ave. | from Soule Blvd. to End |
| Walnut St. | from Geddes Ave. to South University Ave. |
| Westport Rd. | from Pine Tree Dr. to Morningside Dr. |
| Wiltshire Dr. | from Churchill Dr. to End |
| Wiltshire Ct. | from Wiltshire Dr. to End |
| Woodbridge Blvd. | from Eberwhite Blvd. to End |
| Worthington Pl. | from Lans Way to End |
| Yellowstone Dr. | from Bluett Dr. to Gettysburg Rd. |

## STREET IMPROVEMENT NEWS

The City of Ann Arbor is in the process of improving two intersections. Both of the intersections are receiving money from the Congestion Mitigation of Air Quality (CMAQ) fund, a federal fund that is administered by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). One of the purposes of this fund is to improve the movement of traffic through intersections thereby reducing pollution caused by motorized vehicles. The improvements are at Ann Arbor - Saline Road and Eisenhower Parkway, and at Fuller Road, Geddes Road and Huron Parkway.

The improvements to the Ann Arbor - Saline Road and Eisenhower Parkway intersection consist of the addition of a right turn lane on northbound Ann Arbor - Saline Road. The existing right turn lane on Ann Arbor-Saline road will become a thru lane. A bike path will also be constructed between the I-94 exit ramp and Eisenhower Parkway. This work is scheduled to begin in the early part of this summer.

The Fuller Road, Geddes Road and Huron Parkway intersection will include several improvements. A right turn lane will be added on eastbound Fuller Road, an additional left turn lane will be added on westbound Geddes Road resulting in dual left turn lanes. Curb and gutter will be constructed along the length of the project to alleviate the road runoff directly into the wetland and improve drainage at the intersection. New traffic signals will also be installed and pedestrian access will be improved with the construction of a bike path on the south side of Fuller Road, along the Gallup Park frontage. This project is scheduled to begin in mid-summer to minimize the disruption of traffic near Huron High School.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

**Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation is now hiring for all summer seasonal positions including lifeguards, camp directors, cashiers, park and golf course maintenance workers, supervisory, and instructional positions. The pay range is $6.00-$13.00/ hour. For more information call the city's Job Hotline 994-2803 or the Parks Dept. at 994-2780, TDD 994-2700. We also offer lifeguard certification which can lead to employment with the city, call 994-2899 for more information.**

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## HURON WEST PARK SANITARY SEWER PROJECT

The City of Ann Arbor Water Utilities Department has begun work on the Huron West Park Sanitary Sewer Project. The project is being undertaken in multiple phases. The entire project will replace approximately 5,200 feet of existing sanitary sewer trunkline from West Park to Lyn Anne Court. The sewer needs to be replaced because it is in poor structural condition and does not have the capacity needed to handle the future anticipated flow it will receive.

Phase I of the sewer replacement is located north of Huron Street from West Park to Arbana. The first phase of work is scheduled for completion in May, 1998.

The Phase II portion of the sewer replacement is located from Arbana to Doty. Since the Phase II portion of the sewer is located in a wooded ravine area, a trenchless construction technique is being considered to minimize surface disruption. Trenchless construction replaces the existing pipe with minimal disruption to the surface features. There are various trenchless techniques which would provide protection for the many natural features in the ravine. The city is already using a trenchless technique called micro-tunneling for a portion of Phase I that lies between N. Seventh Street and Arbana. During the planning phase of the Phase II project, the city will determine which techniques, if any, are feasible considering various factors including the soil composition in the area of the sewer.

## CALMING TRAFFIC - WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

Recently, the Pittsfield Village neighborhood requested that "something" to be done with a very large and confusing intersection at Jeane Street and Pittsfield Boulevard. The Pittsfield Blvd. area was scheduled to be resurfaced, so Don Todd, Manager of the project from the Engineering Division started working on "something". Several options were prepared, each proposing some changes to the shape and to the traffic control of the intersection. Bill Wheeler, Public Services Director suggested, that maybe a traffic circle should be proposed.

So, the staff pulled out design standards from other cities that use this form of intersection already, and proposed this "first in Ann Arbor". The neighborhood accepted it, and it was built with only minimal increase to the usual work associated with street resurfacing. The design reduced the amount of asphalt very significantly. The central island will be maintained by the neighborhood, and this will be a great opportunity for them to create very pretty and distinctive landscaping this spring.

The traffic goes counter clockwise around the central island, without stopping. All traffic has to yield to the traffic at the circle, so practically everybody goes around only slowing down slightly. The new design also reduces the traffic speed in this area.

Mike Kerr from the city's sign shop manufactured appropriate, special signs that show the direction of traffic. The circle also has one of a kind pavement markings, which were fine tuned and carefully prepared on-site by John Brink, inspector on the job.

The city has received mostly positive calls from the public. They think that the design is functional, that it improved traffic flow and it looks good, too. The city will be monitoring this intersection very closely for some time. Who knows, maybe this solution can be repeated someplace else?

The other new traffic calming device is the choker at the intersection of Observatory and Washington Heights. Actually, it has more than one name. It is called a choker, a bump out, a curb bulb, a build out and a pinch point. In England they call it a narrowing.

It is created by narrowing the pavement at the intersection to the bare minimum. On Observatory, the existing parking lane at the intersection has been eliminated. The sidewalk was expanded nine feet to leave just 22 ft of pavement for two traffic lanes. The choker reduces the width of the pavement, discouraging high speeds. The pedestrian crossing is shortened. Both of these aspects increase traffic safety.

The choker is the city's reaction to the University request to increase the pedestrian safety in this area. After meeting with UM officials at the site, the conclusion was made that this would be the best solution. This site will also be monitored very closely, to allow the city to gain some experience with unusual solutions to various traffic situations.

# Winning With City Hall

## CUSTOMER SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLANS

The City of Ann Arbor is in the second year of an employee-drive Customer Service Improvement initiative to help increase customer service and satisfaction. A small grant fund has been created to help launch some of these initiatives, as needed. The following departments and task force initiatives were recognized by the city's Customer Service Leadership Team in March.

Police & 15th District Court to print/distribute through officers a brochure on Child Safety Seats.Violators would have an option to take a child safety class and may also qualify for a free or discounted safety seat if they meet income qualifications.

Public Services to distribute a monthly staff department newsletter in order to increase communication between office and field staff.

Administrative Services/Parks & Recreation to design, build and install signage on solar pool heating in order to explain the heating process and tax savings.

Public Services, Street Maintenance to increase and enhance outreach presentations to civic groups, schools and seniors about this division.

15th District Court to create a Customer Service Survey Card to assess if there is interest in paying traffic fines through the Internet.

Planning Department to implement an ongoing customer survey.

Fire Department to design, print and mail information to selected business locations to increase fire prevention awareness.

Parks & Recreation to create a "Satisfaction Guarantee Policy" with the use of comment cards, suggestion boxes, "leisure loot" coupon books, and gift certificates for secret shoppers.

Parks & Recreation/Leslie Science to mail questionnaire to 1500 site users.

Community Development to pilot a program to increase volunteer activities by city staff.

Parks & Recreation, Natural Area Preservation to install temporary public information signs in park areas undergoing restoration.

Housing Commission to create, layout and print a series of informational brochures to serve customers using U-M student volunteers.

Risk Management to provide audiometric (hearing acuity) exams for all city employees whose job duties expose them to noise levels of 85 dB or greater.

Solid Waste to assess customer satisfaction by sending a brief survey card to every fifth service request caller.

Solid Waste front load collection drivers created a plan to help increase the quality of service provided to dumpster customers by reducing the number of blocked dumpsters.

Human Resources created an on-line listing of vendors having human rights approval. Plan developed following discussions with internal customers and the Purchasing Improvement Project.

Brown Bag Lunch Presentations providing monthly lunchtime speakers to address customer service issues for interested city staff.

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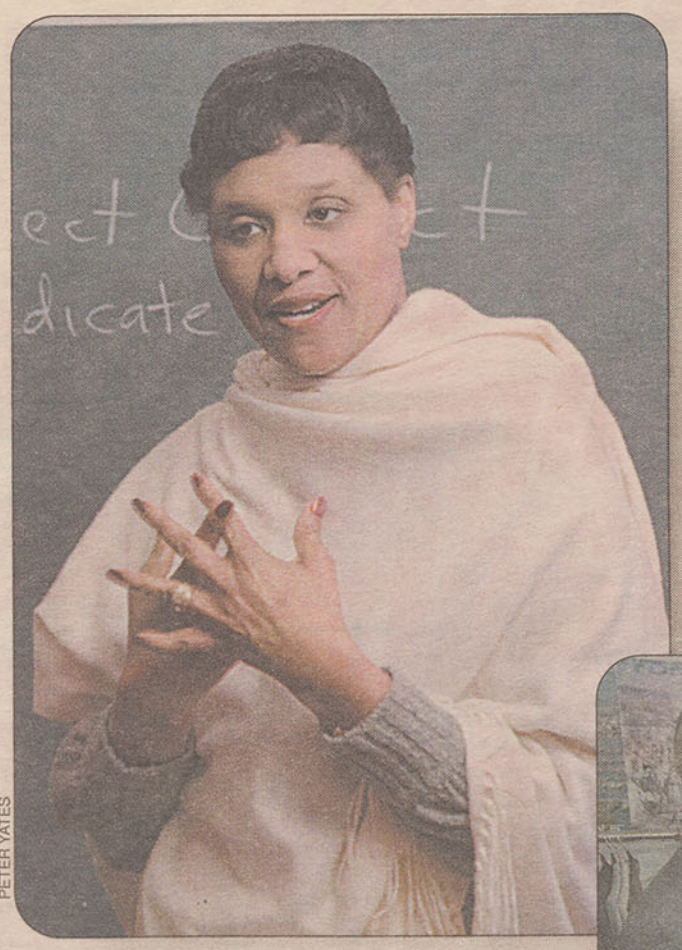
# Fairy Hayes-Scott

## *Embracing deaf culture*


PETER YATES

Professor Fairy Hayes-Scott sails into her classroom and removes her long dangling earrings. The six students in the room smile. The gesture signals more than the start of another class at Mott Community College in Flint. All of these students are deaf and Hayes-Scott, who is not, teaches entirely in American Sign Language (ASL). Jewelry is a distraction when a teacher is "signing" to her students.

ASL "really is sixty percent body [language] and forty percent signing," says Hayes-Scott. "It is a very complex language."

A tall, well-coiffed woman who often wears African-style clothing, Hayes-Scott says that hers is the only class in the state—and one of only a few in the country—to teach college-level writing entirely in sign language. She encountered surprise and sometimes skepticism when she first started signing to her deaf students in 1979. Now she's something of a legend at Mott (where she also teaches English classes to hearing students) and commands respect among educators of the deaf statewide.

Hayes-Scott was inspired to learn ASL by an incident early on in her teaching career. At a Mott faculty meeting, a deaf instructor was trying to get a point across to the rest of the group but was struggling, even with the help of a sign language interpreter. "I was sitting there thinking we were all professionals, all into language, and we're not communicating," she recalls. Challenged, she learned to sign. She wrote her Ph.D. dissertation at the U-M on teaching writing to deaf students.

Educators of the deaf are split on whether students are better off learning sign language or lipreading. The issue is part of a larger debate over whether deafness should be regarded as a handicap or a culture. Hayes-Scott says, diplomatically, that both signing and lipreading have their place, but she clearly sympathizes with advocates of deaf culture. "To tell a deaf person not to use his or her language would be like telling someone French to speak English!" she exclaims.

"I'm not saying that mainstreaming is always wrong. It depends if it's done well. Unfortunately, in most cases it is not." Hayes-Scott recalls one student who entered her class with minimal writing skills, yet thought he was a capable writer. His high school teachers, pitying him, had always given him A's. His experiences, says Hayes-Scott, illustrate the plight of deaf students left to struggle in hearing classrooms. Mastering English syntax is much easier for deaf students, she believes, when they have first thoroughly mastered signing.

Hayes-Scott commutes to Flint for two eleven-hour days a week. She and her husband, Bob Scott, the city of Ann Arbor's personnel director, have a thirteen-year-old daughter, Cheyne. Hayes-Scott also runs a small publishing company, Robbie Dean Press, from their Ann Arbor home; its newest publication compiles several black parents' experiences on child rearing.

Her own experiences as a member of a minority group influenced her career path. A Detroit native, she supported the famous Black Action Movement as a U-M undergrad in 1970, participating in the campuswide strike to pressure administrators to increase black enrollment. "You have to stand up for something," she says in a rich voice that many of her students will never hear.

Her Catholic faith gives Hayes-Scott the confidence to reach out when she sees a need. Robbie Dean Press's logo is the sun, chosen as a symbol of divine love. As often as not, she will end a conversation by singing out, "Have a special sunrise day!" Hayes-Scott believes there was a reason she witnessed her deaf colleague's frustration years ago. "I'm a strong believer," she says, "that God has a plan for you."

*—Eve Silberman*

# Yusuf Uyulur

## *Sewing his way to the American dream*

PETER YATES

Throughout the first two months of his tailoring apprenticeship, Yusuf Uyulur had to sew with his right middle finger bent down, capped by a thimble—and tied in place. His teacher wanted to "train" the finger. The year was 1941, and in Istanbul, Turkey, young boys needed to learn a trade. Uyulur was nine years old.

Uyulur, now sixty-five, recalls that when the finger was finally freed, he experienced "very, very big pain." But his sewing became fast and precise, and by age eighteen, he opened his own shop in Istanbul, completing an average of five custom-tailored suits a week.

In 1973 Uyulur traveled to Ann Arbor to visit a friend from Turkey. He was on vacation but had thought for years about moving to the States. "Our country, life is a little tough," he says matter-of-factly. His friend worked at the former Wagner & Company, a men's clothing store on South State Street. The store soon offered Uyulur a job as well. Though he knew little English beyond "Hi" and "How are you?" Uyulur moved to Ann Arbor the following year with his wife, Fatma, and their three children.

The move to Ann Arbor was "a gamble," Uyulur recalls, and he and Fatma experienced culture shock. To them, American meats and vegetables tasted "like chemicals," and they were struck that just about everyone owned a car. (Their daughter, Neslihan, got her driver's license within a year.) Another difference was the casual dating scene here. Yusuf and Fatma's marriage had been arranged. They first met on the day of their wedding. (Yusuf was twenty-one, Fatma fourteen.)

Although they are now both American citizens, the Uyulurs maintain strong ties to their homeland. Photos of Turkey's beaches and ancient sites decorate Yusuf's second-story shop, above Falling Water Books on Main Street. Asked about his homeland, he puts aside a white dress that he's taking in at the shoulders and waist. He spreads a map of Turkey out on his worktable and taps it with his ruler.

"Like Florida, like California," he says, outlining the country's long shoreline. "It's a very nice place." Each year Uyulur closes up shop for a few months to visit his eighty-five-year-old mother and two sisters back home.

Although he'd like to teach someone his craft, there are no takers. He understands. Tailoring, he says, "is a lot of work and low income. Honest to you, nobody interested in this." Alterations—mostly for busy downtown workers—pay the bills. Nowadays, he says, no one wants to pay $1,000–$1,500 for a custom-made suit.

The Uyulurs' children share their strong Turkish identity: their daughters Neslihan and Cidem married men they met on family visits back to Turkey, and their son, Levent, married a Turkish woman living in the United States.

Yusuf and Fatma have achieved the American dream of owning their own home (in Ypsilanti), and they also own ten acres of land on Scio Church Road. It wasn't easy. After Wagner's closed, Yusuf sewed at Sears for fourteen years, while Fatma, also a tailor, ran their own shop on East Liberty. Ten years ago, they moved to South Main. Fatma is now largely retired from the store.

Recently, Yusuf Uyulur entertained a group of twenty-four grade-schoolers who wanted to know what a tailor does. He gave each child a needle, thread, and fabric, plus a button to sew on the swatch. The children's hand-drawn thank-you cards line the bottom edge of his mirror, but Uyulur doesn't know whether he persuaded any of them to consider a career as a tailor.

"If someone comes and says, I want to learn, I say okay. I teach them. Who knows?"

*—Mary Jean Babic*

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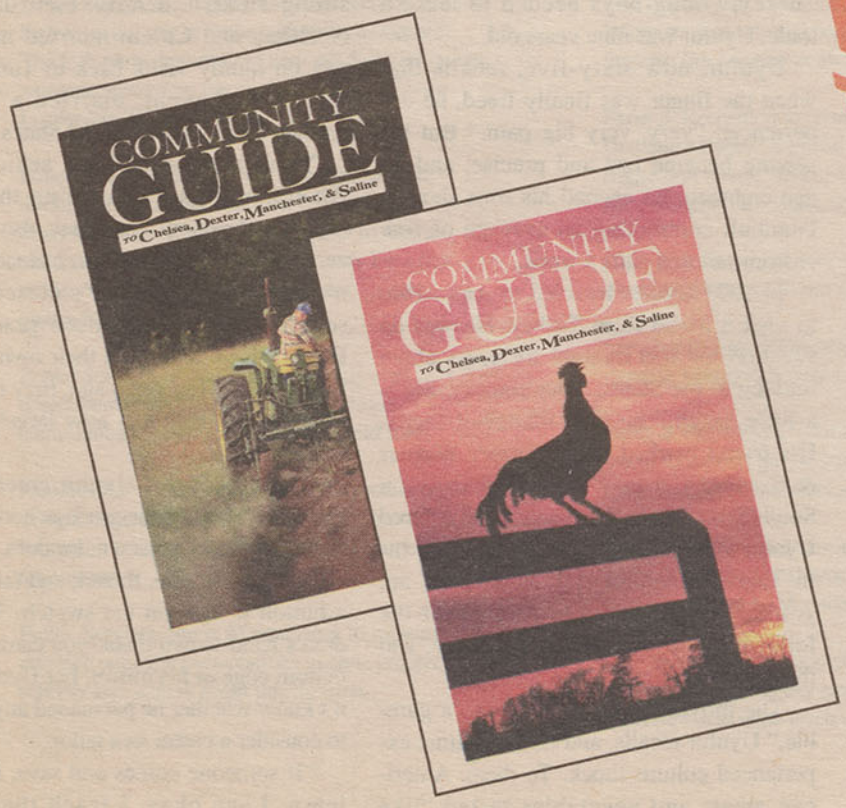



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## The faces

### *The graffiti artist at work*

The faces. Those fascinating, happy-sad, Picasso-esque faces. They're painted in downtown alleys, on mailboxes, on Dumpsters. They're seen on the rusted train trestles above West Washington, West Huron, and Miller, on the walls of the old Schlenker Hardware, the soaped-up windows of the closed Olga's.

The curiously ambiguous offerings are the work of a twenty-two-year-old man who is not only Ann Arbor's most prolific graffiti artist but also perhaps the fastest draw in the Midwest. That's because the practice he describes as part of his "lifestyle" also happens to be a misdemeanor.

In a demonstration on an out-of-the-way cinder-block wall, his hissing spray can is a blur in the post-midnight haze of a streetlamp. In six seconds flat—the time it takes to sneeze and blow your nose—Ann Arbor has another "face."

The can disappears into the marsupial pouch of the oversized sweatshirt that protrudes beneath his homemade winter coat. With well-practiced nonchalance, he walks calmly away through an invisible cloud of fumes.

Each face is unique. "I definitely see personalities in them," he says. "I just see it as a creature-person. People-creatures. The longer you look at them, the personality changes. You can just see different things, and I don't know if it's male or female."

After graduating from a local high school (where he thrived in art classes), he skipped town and college to hit the road. His faces now peer and sneer and smile from electrical boxes, windows, and walls from Boston to Seattle. In San Francisco, a Japanese magazine paid him to create a graffiti backdrop for a photo shoot of former Dead Kennedys vocalist Jello Biafra. Who influences his work? He cites late-1970s–early-1980s New York modern artist and Warhol protégé Jean-Michel Basquiat, and in general, everyday people "with great energy."

His traveling is extensive and ongoing, but he returns "for months at a time" because of his Ann Arbor roots. When in town, he might head out twice a week to "tag" what catches his eye.

So why does he do it? Why not just paint in the basement?

Part of it harkens back to a love of speed. "At home you have all the time in the world to do it . . . there's nothing to push you, there's no adrenaline, there's no rush to it. [Outside] it's like dancing. You can't think about, 'Am I moving right?' You just are listening to it and enjoying it. Also because I'd rather live outside of my house as well as inside of my house, and I also like to touch people that I don't even know. It's like me saying hi to people all the time when I'm not even around." He pauses in thought, "It's like having your music on the radio."

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The "face guy" also designs clothes, exhibits at gallery shows, and is working on a book, although he refuses to elaborate on it. Like Basquiat, he's ambitious. He has his eyes set on mass-media world domination. "World complication," he calls it.

Although he's been doing graffiti since he was seventeen, he's never had a run-in with the law. The Ann Arbor Police, however, have arrested some of his friends. He says the punishment is a couple hundred dollars or so in fines and a heavy load of community service hours.

Perhaps because of its illegal nature, graffiti is commonly regarded as an act of youthful rebellion. But the young man who paints the abstract faces (and occasionally animals and flowers) says he's not interested in causing trouble and does not identify himself as a rebel.

"I think definitely people relate to it that way, but I don't think about things politically at all. It's too much for me to think about being angry with people. It would disturb my work. I don't want to project that. I don't want to live that. I don't do my stuff to get back at anybody.

"I usually pick sites that are the least disturbing. Like, if I were to put it on a storefront which is operating, they'd probably want it gone as soon as possible, and they'd probably be pissed off, maybe call the cops, maybe have somebody who is in the janitorial position sit out there with some kind of toxic cleaner and scrub it off. I'd preferably not have to deal with any of that."

Despite his love for the pressures inherent in avoiding unwanted attention from police, he also says the ultimate thrill for him would be to have a license to paint from the city. "People tell me all the time they enjoy [the graffiti]. I love that. Give me a whole bunch of sites. There's so many alleys, there's so many bridges, there's so many garbage cans, so many places which are just totally vacant that don't look good—I would be *so* into doing that, but it's not going to happen."

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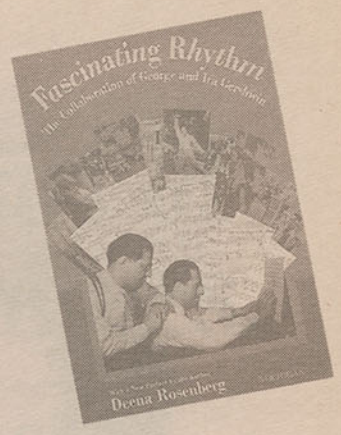
## Smokers' alley

### *A Liberty St. mystery explained*

Several times a day, a loose semicircle of smokers gathers at the mouth of the alley across from Borders. Some stand on the sidewalk next to the concrete garbage can. Others step back a few feet to lean against the shaded alley wall, nonchalantly puffing away on their Marlboros, Camel Lights, and Mild Sevens.

The impromptu club stands out on a street where most people who light up are solitary exiles from nearby offices. The mystery deepens as you pass by and hear the intimate cadences of Korean, Japanese, Spanish, Italian, and Farsi, alternating with English inflected with off-kilter idioms and new vocabulary words.

The smokers are students at the Access International Business Institute, a private English-as-a-Second-Language school in the Michigan Theater building. A mix of Asians, Africans, Europeans, and Central Americans, they assemble outside between classes for a much-needed break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from their studies, to gossip with friends and be a part of Ann Arbor's street life.

On any given day, at the top of any given hour, a handful of students are smoking quietly. When asked why he smokes, Jung Min Lee, a twenty-three-year-old from Seoul, Korea, says, "Cigarettes are my best friend." Another student adds, "Over fifty percent of Korean males smoke. We can even smoke in class at Korean universities."

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Twenty-nine-year-old Jose Saiz, from Valencia, Spain, saunters up. His answer to the same question: "Because I like it. We don't have laws against smoking in Valencia."

Atsushi Ohashi, twenty-three, from Japan, chimes in happily, "To relax." How much does he smoke a day? "Half a box a day," he says, pointing to his pack of Marlboro Reds.

When we ask why they smoke on the street, they all laugh.

"No smoking rule inside," answers Kyong-Soon Hwang, twenty-three, of Korea. "Maybe we should have seats against the wall," Saiz proposes, indicating the alleyway. Francisco Gomez arrives. A student from Chihuahua, Mexico, Gomez smoked for fourteen years. He's since quit—except for the secondhand smoke when he joins his fellow students outside. "Now every time I go out, I smoke with him," Gomez jokes, pointing to the cigarette in Jung Min's hand. Everyone laughs.

The students begin checking their watches and taking final, furtive puffs on their cigarettes. Class is about to begin. We try to squeeze in one more question: "What do you enjoy about smoking here?"

"I like to watch all the people walk by," Jung Min says before snubbing out his cigarette and heading back to class.

Now there's just Tomo Nagahara left. She is from Nagoya, Japan. "I like the smell," she explains. "Ever since I was born my father was a heavy smoker. The smell is my father's smell."

Asked when she started to smoke, she says, "Fourteen. But 'just curious.' I left home at eighteen, and that's when I started smoking again."

But now she's late for class and must go. The alley is empty. Delivery trucks pull up with their loads of boxes. A steady flow of pedestrians streams by. Browsers line up alongside the Borders sale tables for a quick peruse. In about an hour, the smokers' club will be out again, lighting up. ■


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# The Strange Odyssey of University Bank

## *An inside look at Steve Ranzini's tangled financial empire.*

BY KEN GARBER

Nothing like it had ever happened in Ann Arbor banking. Last October, the board of directors of University Bank voted unanimously to remove Steve Ranzini from his position as senior vice-president of the bank. Two weeks later, Ranzini and his father, Joe, chairman of the company that owns the bank, dismissed the entire board and fired bank president Mark Ouimet, replacing him with Steve Ranzini. The coup and successful countercoup were reported in the *Ann Arbor News,* which also obtained a confidential copy of a 1997 examination report by state and federal regulators. According to a subsequent *News* story, the regulators had criticized University Bank for poor financial oversight, a high-risk subsidiary venture, lack of management accountability, and several conflicts of interest.

Steve Ranzini says his bank has been unfairly tarred. "There's factual errors in the report," he asserts, although he says state banking law keeps him from discussing specifics. He says he filed a confidential response with regulators, who are now "very pleased at the progress that the new management team and the new directors . . . have made at improving the bank."

After two years of losses, University Bank reported a $22,000 profit in January. It is well-capitalized and has adequate loan-loss reserves, so there's no danger of failure. "The bank's in good standing with us," confirms Don Mann of the state Financial Institutions Bureau. After the purge, the Ranzinis appointed a new board of directors made up exclusively of company insiders. But Steve Ranzini says he is assembling a new community "advisory board" to replace the fired outside directors.

The controversy hasn't caused customers to shun the bank, says Ranzini. "Has it had a major impact on the deposit base here?" he asks. "The answer is no." But in the five months since the firings, University Bank's deposits have shrunk from $54 million to $45 million.

That's deliberate, says Ranzini. The bank is "shedding both unprofitable assets as well as unprofitable liabilities, deposits being liabilities," he says. "It was important to push out, if you will, some of the higher-cost wholesale deposits that the bank had."

But there are signs that the *News* stories did lead to a minor run on the bank. Superior Township treasurer Brenda McKinney says she withdrew the township's $100,000 jumbo CD when it matured, and moved it to another bank. "I read the papers about some of their board members," says McKinney. "That was a clear indication to me that they had problems. And I just decided to move my money out until they got more settled out there."

While Ranzini says the controversy hasn't hurt the bank, he concedes that he's disappointed with its performance. In its 1995 application to move to Ann Arbor, the bank predicted a total profit of $82,000 in its first two years in business. Instead, University Bank lost $720,000 through September 1997, the

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Now beginning its third year in Ann Arbor, University Bank has a long way to go to make up for those losses. Ranzini now expects a successful 1998. But he's staking the financial health of University Bank not just on the traditional banker's habit of making conservative community loans but also on a wide-ranging financial network of bank subsidiaries. University Bancorp, the Ranzinis' holding company, encompasses eight different entities involved in activities ranging from venture capital to high-risk mortgages to direct real estate investment—areas most banks avoid due to their greater potential for losses. It remains to be seen whether the Ranzinis can make this bold strategy pay off.

The Ranzinis' network gives them great flexibility in funding their various ventures around the state. For example, since 1996, Northern Michigan Foundation, a nonprofit bank subsidiary, has used low-interest loans provided by the federal government to extend credit to three businesses in which the Ranzinis have indirect partial ownership interest. Joe and Steve Ranzini are president and treasurer, respectively, of the foundation. A foundation representative certified at the time—falsely—that no officer had any legal or financial interest in the loan recipients. Although the government lender found no conflict of interest, two of the loans were paid off after the Observer asked about them.

Steve Ranzini is thirty-three years old, and with his thin frame, black hair, and handsome features, he looks even younger. He has been a financial prodigy since age ten, when his father gave him $1,000 to invest and Ranzini grew it to $40,000. (He then lost nearly all of it.) A New Jersey native, Ranzini graduated *magna cum laude* from the Phillips Exeter Academy prep school and attended Yale University, graduating in 1986. A college internship analyzing banks and savings and loans sparked his interest in financial institutions, and when he spotted a *Wall Street Journal* ad offering a bank for sale, he and his father—a New Jersey lawyer and real estate developer—bought it for $4.7 million.

With that 1988 purchase of Newberry State Bank, Steve Ranzini, at twenty-three, became the youngest bank holding company president in the country. When he took over the ninety-eight-year-old bank, it was conservatively run, with a single branch in the Upper Peninsula town of Newberry. It quickly became a vehicle for the Ranzinis' far bigger ambitions.

Soon after buying the bank, Steve Ranzini invested family and bank funds in the debt of struggling savings and loan associations. (Because of its high risk, such debt offered high rates of return.) Ending up as chair of the creditor's committee of one failing Texas S&L holding company, Ranzini was described in published reports as " 'incredibly cocky' " and a " 'kid who

thinks he's an expert on everything,'" according to *American Banker.*

Ranzini, who says he's "done very well" with his S&L investments, is uncomfortable talking about this episode. "The articles that were written were libelous," he says.

In 1990, the Ranzinis took Newberry State Bank's holding company public. It's a measure of the financial sophistication they brought to the once-sleepy bank that they did so by merging it with Fortune 44, a defunct Colorado company that sold gourmet fortune cookies and whose stock was listed on the NASDAQ exchange. They quadrupled the number of locations they operated by adding three branches in Sault Ste. Marie—including one in a gas station and another in front of a Wal-Mart. And they invested heavily in other financial enterprises, including mortgage "wholesaling," buying mortgages from brokers and banks around the country and bundling them into securities that are then sold to investors.

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But profits proved elusive. In 1994, the Ranzinis sold three of their four branches to another Upper Peninsula bank for $3.5 million. The fourth branch limited its lending to mortgages, and Steve Ranzini says that, at the time, they had planned to refocus the company as a specialty mortgage business. Unfortunately, later that year, state banking regulators said they would revoke the bank's charter unless it resumed broader banking activities.

Owning a charter had advantages because it allowed the Ranzinis to borrow money cheaply and conveniently from the Federal Home Loan Bank in Indianapolis. But a no-compete agreement with the buyer of their branches barred them from running a bank anywhere in the Upper Peninsula. After looking around, the Ranzinis settled on Ann Arbor for their return to banking.

Banking in Ann Arbor is extremely competitive, with virtually all of the state's major banks represented. But "the population is wealthier than average, and have higher per capita savings," noted the bank in its application, which went on to predict a loss of $118,000 in its first year, to be more than offset by a profit of $200,000 in its second year. "A strong identity with the town will be achieved by changing the bank's name to University Bank," the application noted. "A strong community board of directors will be established."

The bank did recruit an impressive group of directors, including schools superintendent John Simpson, Parke-Davis chairman Ronnie Cresswell, and U-M surgery chair Lazar Greenfield. Once again, however, profits proved elusive. University Bank lost $446,000 in 1996 and $274,000 through the first nine months of 1997. By contrast, Bank of Ann Arbor, which started around the same time as University Bank, became profitable by November 1996 and earned $240,000 in the first three quarters of 1997.

"The performance in 1997 was very poor," Steve Ranzini admits. He blames the losses on high expenses, especially for personnel. University Bank had seventy-two full-time employees last September, compared to Bank of Ann Arbor's twenty-seven. And University Bank reported spending more than four times as much on salaries and benefits as its competitor.

Why does University Bank have such a large and expensive staff? Subsidiary operations account for most of it. Only twenty-one people work at the Ann Arbor branch. Another twenty-eight work in Farmington Hills for two mortgage subsidiaries and for Michigan BIDCO, the venture capital subsidiary. The rest work in the Upper Peninsula, in Houghton and Newberry.

Most of the bank's employees do other things besides taking in deposits and making loans. Through its subsidiaries, they wholesale mortgages, "service" them (collect payments) for others, make equity investments in new and expanding businesses, buy tax shelters, and sell securities. Steve Ranzini has been extraordinarily creative in finding new ways to get a return for his bank on its depositors' money.

The banking business usually isn't as adventurous as Ranzini has made it. Most community banks are boring, modestly profitable businesses. It's been that way since Congress passed the Glass-Steagall Act in 1934, at the height of the Depression. Over 5,000 banks had failed during the previous four years, not only from bad loans but because many had diversified into doing stock deals for clients, underwriting securities, and raiding and merging companies, and had taken heavy losses after the stock market crashed. Millions of depositors lost their life savings. Congress determined never to let this happen again: Glass-Steagall and other laws passed the same year severely limited the ability of banks to do anything but banking. To restore public confidence, the government also began insuring bank deposits.

Deposit insurance brought money back to the banks, and Glass-Steagall kept the banks from losing it in imprudent and unfamiliar ventures. For the last sixty-five years, commercial banking has thrived, in a modest sort of way. A one percent return on assets is considered excellent performance. Few bankers become instantly wealthy, but commercial bank failures have been few and far between. (S&Ls, which were subject to different regulations, are a different story.)

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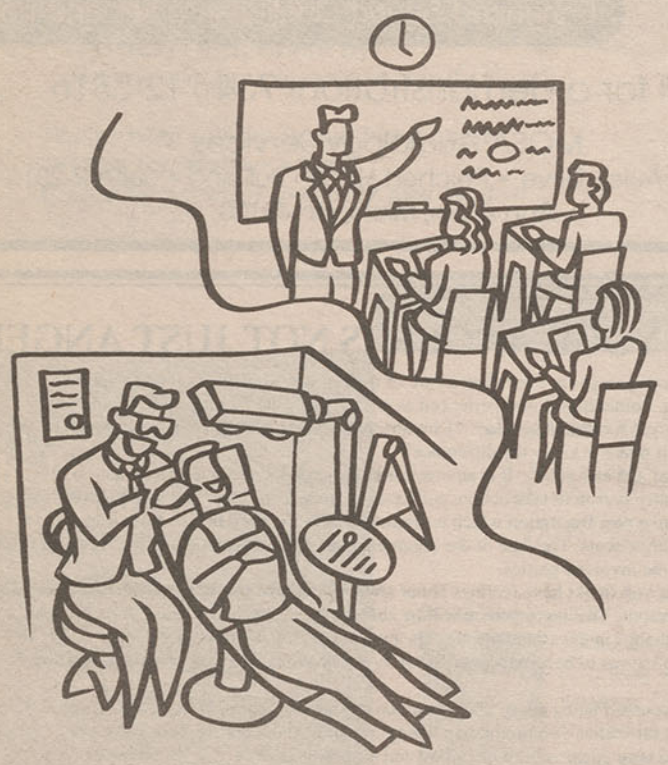

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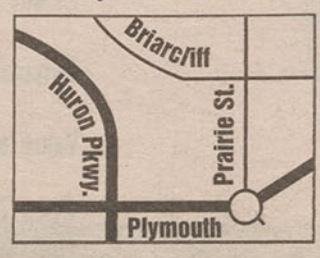


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through subsidiaries, now sell securities. They can raise and invest venture capital (again, through subsidiaries), and can invest directly in certain real estate ventures. Joe and Steve Ranzini, in the ten years since they entered the banking business, have found their way into many of these new niches.

Financially, the strategy hasn't paid off. Ranzini says the bank's subsidiaries showed a 16 percent return on investment last year. But that begs the question of why the bank did so poorly overall. Veribanc, a Massachusetts bank-rating firm, gave University Bank a "yellow" rating for the third quarter of 1997. That put it in the bottom 5 percent of banks nationwide in terms of performance. "When the [banking] industry is this good, for a company to lose money for a couple of quarters is pretty unusual," says Veribanc research director Warren Heller.

All of the outside activity, along with the regulators' negative report, apparently touched off the revolt by the bank's local board of directors. "The disagreement between the board and the Ranzinis had to do with whether we were going to continue the direction we had started, with a focus on a local Ann Arbor bank, or whether it was going to go in other directions," says former board member Tom Kelleher. Kelleher says that the board only gradually found out about the bank subsidiaries operating elsewhere. "And as we became aware of them, some of the issues surrounding those subsidiaries became issues for the board members," he says. "[At first] I was not aware that these subsidiaries existed and that resources were to be dedicated to supporting them."

When it voted to remove Steve Ranzini from active management, the board "knew the probability of being dismissed was very high," adds Kelleher. "It was our way of saying, 'If you go in this direction, we don't want any part of it.'"

The emphasis on out-of-town subsidiaries must have been particularly galling. The bank's high-powered board members had helped promote University as "a true community bank," even appearing in whimsical *Ann Arbor News* ads wearing sweatshirts with letters spelling out the bank's name. According to Jodi Geeting, who was former president Mark Ouimet's secretary at the bank, Ouimet personally convinced the board members to join. He also helped recruit experienced, well-known local bankers as executives: mortgage specialist Grace Palazzolo, commercial lending vice-president David Guenther, and operations/compliance officer Jane Finkbeiner. Like the board members, all are now gone from the bank.

Ouimet sealed his own fate when he sided with the board against the Ranzinis. "[He] thought that the board was acting in the best interests of the bank," says Geeting. Ouimet isn't suffering financially, however. Because the bank exceeded its

deposit growth targets, he earned $382,000 in salary and bonuses in 1996, and an unspecified amount in 1997.

When he complains that the bank's payroll was too high, Steve Ranzini implies that Mark Ouimet was to blame for the bank's bad financial performance. "Who was in charge of compensation at the bank?" he asks. "Who was in charge of running the subsidiaries? The answer was, two different people." Ranzini ran the subsidiaries. Ouimet presumably set his staff's compensation. "If you excluded entirely the expense from subsidiaries, our salary and benefit expense [in 1996] equaled or exceeded slightly Bank of Ann Arbor's *entire* expenses," Ranzini adds. (He supplied the Observer with a spreadsheet analysis supporting that claim.)

and moderate-income borrowers in the community. "Twelve percent to minorities—that's greater than the population of the county. I mean, those are huge numbers."

Dina Sanders, director of the Washtenaw Home Buyers Program, which helps lower-income borrowers secure mortgages, raves about University Bank. "They've been actually a wonderful group to work with," she says. "It's been disheartening to see them get such a bad press." Eight out of the seventeen mortgages granted to Home Buyers clients came from University Bank last year, the first in which the bank was involved. "Steve came in with some fresh ideas, and [bank staff] have been really wonderful," says Sanders. "People feel intimidated when they go in the door of the bankers, and I think they've made a concentrated effort to remove the intimidation."

University Bank *needs* a good record

**The Ranzinis have woven University Bank into a remarkably complex tangle of ventures. What appears to Ann Arborites to be a single small bank is actually the center of a statewide network of interlocking subsidiaries, some of them engaged in relatively risky ventures.**

"Do I think that was an accurate statement? No," responds Ouimet. Ouimet points out that the board voted to fire Steve Ranzini, not him. "That board of directors [were] very astute business and community people that certainly understood profitability and clearly understood how an organization is to function. These are very high-quality people.

"Steve was in charge of my compensation," Ouimet adds. "He was in charge of his compensation."

Ouimet's compensation is still an issue. Ranzini says the bank agreed to pay Ouimet $195,000 in severance pay when he left. "I have not received it," says Ouimet. "Part of the contract is not to talk about the severance package, which [Ranzini] has violated."

Ranzini's response: "We obviously would not have stopped the payments if we had not had strong legal grounds to do so, on advice of counsel."

Ranzini says he's overhauling the bank's operations. "Every issue you could think of has been addressed or is in the process of being addressed," he says. While he is recruiting a new local "advisory" board, he may continue as bank president indefinitely. "It's hard to say whether the best person for the job, in the long run, is somebody new, or myself," he says. "For the time being, the best person to do the job is me, having been president and CEO of the bank previously."

Ranzini doesn't seem concerned that University Bank's image may have been hurt by last year's purge. And he boasts about the bank's record of lending to low-

lending to minorities. In 1996 the FDIC cited the bank for discriminatory lending. "Substantive violations of Equal Credit Opportunity and Fair Housing laws and regulations have been found in loans denied and originated by the bank's wholly owned subsidiary, Varsity Funding Services," reads the bank's Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) report.

A consistently bad CRA rating can lead regulators to deny a bank's applications for expansion or for acquisitions. In 1996 University Bank received a CRA rating of "needs to improve." Of 111 Michigan banks, only one other, Citizens State Bank in New Baltimore, got a score that low. (The rest were either "satisfactory" or "outstanding.") Although the fair housing violations were a factor in the bank's score, according to the report, "the bank's lack of lending in low and moderate income census tracts and to low and moderate income individuals in the Ann Arbor assessment area . . . weighed heavily in the assigned rating."

Steve Ranzini doesn't agree with the rating. "We were open three months and the exam starts up, and we were graded as if we were an existing, established bank," he says. "We hadn't done many loans, period, let alone loans to . . . certain census tracts or to certain low- and moderate-income people. The whole process was pretty unfair."

He also says regulators wrongly cited Varsity Funding with violations. According to Ranzini, its only offense was working with brokers who charged extra points to buyers of smaller mortgages. "We had


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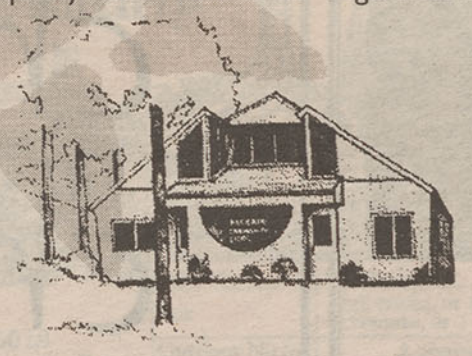

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a correspondent [broker] in Detroit that was owned by a black man, one of the leading, most reputable brokers in Detroit, and we were criticized because we were buying loans from his company," says Ranzini. "It's ludicrous." Ranzini explains that it's often necessary to charge extra points for smaller mortgages to make up for the lesser amounts the brokers and Varsity receive when these higher-risk mortgages are sold. "It's our opinion that the FDIC incorrectly applied the law," he says. Nevertheless, Varsity Funding was forced to drop the offending mortgage brokers from the network.

In February University Bank underwent its CRA review for 1998. The report had not been released at the time the Observer went to press in March, but Ranzini says the bank's score will improve. The report "is only going to have very favorable things to say, period," he says.

The wholesale mortgage business has brought Steve Ranzini other headaches. In 1996 University Bank sued Canusa Mortgage Corporation, a North Carolina mortgage broker, for selling it $1.24 million in mortgages that had already defaulted. (These mortgages made up almost half of the bank's portfolio of nonperforming loans.) Canusa said it complied with all sales agreements and that University Bank had already sold off many of the loans in question. But the two parties recently settled the lawsuit. "There's no loss, or very minor loss" to University Bank, says Ranzini, although he admits the bank may have to foreclose on some homes and put them up for sale.

University Bank currently is suing the FDIC to recover $600,000 for bad home equity loans (written by failed S&Ls) that it purchased from the government three years ago as part of a $2 million package. According to the bank's complaint, the loans in question either weren't the FDIC's to sell or were already paid off by the time it sold them to University Bank. (The FDIC is preparing its legal response and wouldn't comment.) "Basically we sued for fraud," explains Ranzini. "If you or I had done it, we'd be in jail today. But they were the government."

Although the government continues to closely monitor the bank, Ranzini says relations are now excellent. "The regulators are going home with big smiles," he says.

When it came to the Northern Michigan Foundation, the Ranzinis had a more positive experience with the government. Joe and Steve Ranzini formed the nonprofit foundation in 1993 "for charitable, educational and public services, especially to create jobs," according to its articles of incorporation. Joe Ranzini is foundation president and Steve is treasurer. In 1995 and 1996, Michigan BIDCO donated $300,000 to the foundation to get it going. (Joe and Steve Ranzini are also president and treasurer, respectively, of the BIDCO. University Bank owns 44 percent.)

The foundation then obtained a $2 mil-

lion, thirty-year loan, at one percent interest, from Rural Development, a program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The Ranzinis quickly put the cheap money to use, re-loaning almost $1.7 million to fifteen northern Michigan businesses. "It's a pool of money for assisting small businesses in the state which can't get access to bank loans," explains Steve Ranzini.

The Ranzinis had a special interest in several of the businesses that benefited from the low-cost funds. The foundation's tax return shows that three loans, totaling over $500,000, went to businesses partially owned by the BIDCO: Great Lakes Tissue, Village Cable, and Scanlan Television. The Foundation also loaned $150,000 to Newberry Motors. At the time, Steve Ranzini owned half of Newberry Motors.

Do these deals represent a conflict of interest? The USDA says no. The agency "determined that no conflict of interest . . . was created as a result of loans made by Northern Michigan Foundation to Great Lakes Tissue, Scanlan TV and Newberry Motors," it wrote in response to the Observer's questions. "No evidence was found that showed any members of the foundation board financially benefited, directly from this activity." But the foundation received payoffs on its loans "to remove the potential for future questions relating to possible conflicts of interest."

"Conflict of interest is when someone receives a financial benefit by having conflicting loyalties," says Steve Ranzini. "There has to be a direct financial benefit." He doesn't consider his family's indirect ownership share in the loan recipients (through the bank and BIDCO) to be large enough or direct enough to create a conflict. "You can talk about potential profit, but have I ever received a check for BIDCO stock that I own? No."

Michigan BIDCO still owns 40 percent of Village Cable, a Traverse City–based cable TV company that borrowed $110,000 from the foundation. Most of that money came from federal funds. The USDA, however, sees no conflict of interest in the Ranzinis' dual roles as foundation officers and BIDCO investors. "Indirectly the BIDCO benefits, but no individual does," Ranzini says.

But before the foundation made each of the loans, vice-president Chuck McDowell signed a statement that "none of its principal officers (or their immediate family members) have any legal or financial interest in, or influence on, this Ultimate [loan] Recipient." Yet Steve Ranzini served on the board of Great Lakes Tissue, and through the bank and BIDCO, he and his father hold indirect ownership stakes in Scanlan, Great Lakes, and Village Cable. McDowell wouldn't comment on the statements, referring all questions to Steve Ranzini.

"There is no problem because no one is getting any money for what they did," insists Ranzini. "Do I have any legal influence on Great Lakes Tissue? I'm one director out of eight." But, Ranzini adds, he regrets the appearance of conflict. "I wish I'd been a little more knowledgeable about the [lender's] rules and regulations . . . I was relying on what other people, who were more experts in this sort of thing, were telling me."

> When it voted to remove Steve Ranzini from active management, the board "knew the probability of being dismissed was very high," says former director Tom Kelleher. "It was our way of saying, 'If you go in this direction, we don't want any part of it.'"

The Ranzinis have woven University Bank into a remarkably complex tangle of ventures. What appears to Ann Arborites to be a single small bank is actually the center of a statewide network of interlocking subsidiaries, some of them engaged in relatively risky ventures. While that approach promises payoffs beyond the dreams of the average community banker, it has yet to translate into success for the bank itself. But Steve Ranzini is undeterred. The holding company is continuing to create new subsidiaries—Ranzini says he's "very close to finalizing" a $25 million Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT), a vehicle that sells shares of private real estate development projects to investors. University Bancorp's REIT is for "construction projects to help create additional union jobs in the building trades in Michigan," he says. Union pension funds will be the main investors.

The holding company is also busy raising about $10 million from investors across the state for a new Small Business Investment Corporation (SBIC) subsidiary. SBICs are privately owned venture capital companies that make equity investments in small businesses. According to Mike Stamler of the federal Small Business Administration, banks are allowed into SBICs as another way of getting around the limits put in place by the Glass-Steagall Act.

It appears, then, that University Bancorp will continue to push the limits of conventional banking. So far, though, the results have been poor. In 1996 and the first three quarters of 1997, the holding company suffered more than $1.4 million in pretax losses.

Steve Ranzini says that the losses stem from the bank's operations here in Ann Arbor, not from his own far-flung ventures. Now that he's taken personal charge of the local banking operation, he'll have a chance to prove he can do better. This time around, though, he's likely to find it a lot harder to recruit local leaders to tout his "community bank." ■


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## *A coach's perspective on why kids often care more about sports than scholarship.*

by John U. Bacon

Bill Standbridge always scheduled the parents' meeting for the first Thursday of the season, at 7:30 p.m. sharp. The message was straightforward: there are standards on the Huron High hockey team, and they're not negotiable.

"Our values are simple," Standbridge began, "but very, very important. First comes the family—that's where it all starts, and the kids must respect that. Second is school, and third is the team.

"That brings us to team rules.

"Number one, the players must show *respect.* Respect for their parents, teachers, coaches, managers, teammates, and referees. I'd rather be four-and-twenty with that respect than twenty-and-four without it.

"Number two, the most important qualities of great players are their attitudes and behavior. This means they must *act like men.* If they accept the invitation to be on this team, they will commit their time to us from two-thirty to six p.m. No exceptions, unless cleared by us at least twenty-four hours in advance.

"You miss one practice without getting approval from us first, you miss the next game. The bus leaves on time, every time. No player is more important than the team. We don't even wait five minutes for All-State goalies—"

"Or assistant coaches," I interjected. That got a laugh from the parents who remembered watching me chase the bus when I was five minutes late last year. Like I said, the rules are not negotiable.

"Get an 'E' and you don't play—that's *our* rule, not the school's—and a one-game suspension from the refs will get you two from us," Standbridge continued.

He ran through the dress code in the same matter-of-fact manner: no earrings on the ice, and players must wear jackets and ties on game days. "As for facial hair, it goes," he added. "I don't care what the ACLU says. If they don't want to shave it off in the comfort of their own homes . . . ," he grinned and pulled out a rusty Bic razor, "I'm happy to help.

"Hey, don't get me wrong. High school hockey's supposed to be fun, and none of these kids are going to the pros—but dammit, I want to win. And the kids do, too."

That got a lot of heads nodding. Last season was pure hell. Before the first game, we benched two of our top players for skipping out on study table, an offense we treat just like missing a practice. That set us up for a 6–4 opening-night loss to a team we should have beaten. No matter, Standbridge and I figured. We'd made our point and paid a relatively small price. But then we lost the next game. And the next one. And the one after that. We could not manage a victory until our *seventeenth* game.

The kids had to endure endless taunts in school and around town, but incredibly, they stuck together. They won half of their last eight games, and their commitment inspired our junior class to turn down the independent travel teams that tried to re-

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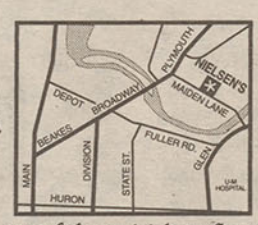


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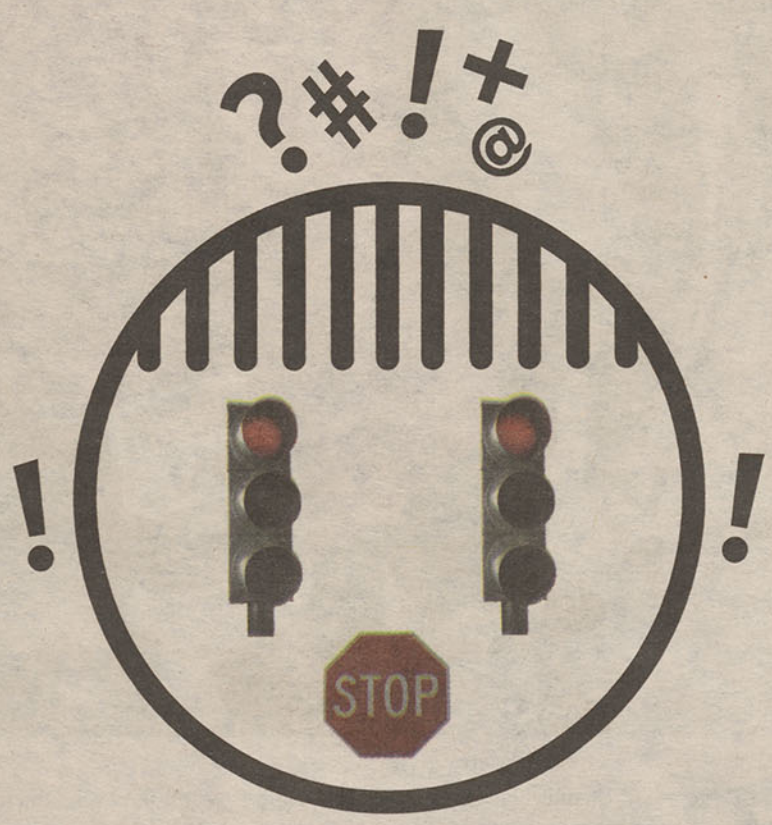


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cruit them. They came back to play together for this, their senior season.

If I were still a student at Huron, these would be the guys I'd be hanging out with. My admiration for them raised the stakes. I felt a strong need to justify their faith in our program.

"Last year's team worked hard," Standbridge told the parents. "They did not give up. They did not point fingers. They did not deserve that record. If we stay focused this year and pick up a couple early wins, we can get right back on track.

"Our mission is simple: to show them that hard work and team spirit pay off in sports, in school, in the future—and dammit, I want to beat Trenton. I'm sick of losing to them."

That got our attention. Trenton is the state's best team and has been for decades. In over forty meetings, Huron had beaten Trenton exactly once. But Standbridge's message was clear: last year's debacle would not keep us from aiming high.

After Standbridge's speech, the booster club president recruited volunteers for a long list of thankless tasks. Parents eagerly raised their hands for each one. He then passed out copies of the team budget (which showed that every cent raised went directly to the kids) and asked if $100 was okay for booster dues. He heard nothing but enthusiastic yes's.

The business complete, Standbridge looked at his watch. "Well, I promised we'd be out of here in an hour and a half, and it's now 8:57. We did it. I want to thank you for your help, and I look forward to seeing you at the games."

I had heard Standbridge's speech before, but it sounded completely different to me this time. That's because the 1993–1994 season, my third as the team's assistant coach, was also the year I student-taught at Huron High while earning a master's degree at the U-M (see "Return to Huron High," December 1996). After two months adrift in the politically correct fog of the U-M School of Education, Standbridge's speech cut through the murk like a lighthouse beacon.

My professors seemed to think the biggest problems facing public schools were oppressive "rules" and teachers obsessed with "achievement"—terms they put in quotes, as if they had no real meaning. From what I'd seen in my short time back at my old high school, rules and goals looked like the solutions, not the problems. I was more disturbed by the chaos I found in the hallways and the indifference I saw in too many classrooms, among students and teachers alike.

When I taught, I felt compelled to entertain, oblige, and even cajole my students to learn. I sometimes had to shake the urge to apologize for having the gall to start class on time. At the rink, as Standbridge's speech made clear, the rules were different. The kids had to impress *us*, not the other way around.

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Other differences: the minute I became Standbridge's assistant, he gave me the keys to the Huron athletic facilities and Vets Arena; as a student teacher, I didn't even rate a key to the adult bathrooms. Coaches had the power to bench or dismiss any player breaking team rules. In contrast, teachers who tried to discipline students faced so much paperwork and "can't win" hearings that many had given up trying.

Of course, coaches' authority came at a price: accountability. In the decade since I'd graduated from Huron, not one of Ann Arbor's 1,100 public school teachers had been fired. In the same time period, dozens of coaches had been let go, including our predecessors on the Huron hockey team. Standbridge and I both knew that if we didn't improve on last year's 4–20 season, we'd be next.

But even that cold reality was refreshing. After a long week in the classroom, where success went unnoticed and failure unpunished, there was something exhilarating about actually *seeing* the concrete results of our labor each Saturday night, win or lose. Unlike teaching history, when you coached hockey, you knew where you stood.

We played our first league game at home against Grosse Pointe North, a team that demolished us last year, 12–1. If we were going to exorcise last year's demons, we would have to start here.

Only a minute into the first period, North stormed into our zone and got a quick goal—just like they did last year. But this time, our boys didn't fold. They fought back to tie it up, and even took the lead, 2–1, before ending the first period 2–2.

When he talked to the team between periods, Standbridge kept to the point: "You're showing guts and team spirit. All that suffering last year has to be for something. Now let's go out there and take it to 'em."

Our guys came out flying, outshooting North 16–3 in the second period. But North's goalie was as good as he was lucky, and we couldn't get a single shot past him. The score was still tied 2–2 when, with one second left in the second period, a North slap shot from outside the blue line trickled over our goalie's glove. No one said it, but no one had to: Here we go again. A last-second letdown threatened to rip our fragile faith apart.

"You are *outplaying* them. Look at these shots!" I yelled, waving the stat sheet during intermission. "It's not even close!" Standbridge stressed the positive as well. Then we both left the locker room to let the team captain, Alan Clarke,* and the other seniors motivate the team.

When Standbridge and I got back to the bench, a troupe of figure skaters was still on the ice. Their between-period performance, we learned, had already run five minutes over, and they weren't even halfway done. I was furious, afraid the delay would deflate the intensity the seniors had just built up. But when the players came out, their energy seemed to feed on the slight. The longer they waited to get on the ice, the more jacked up they got.

Kenny Becker, the most talented of our seniors, handled the face-off. He drew the puck back expertly to Jess Lundeen, a solid, hard-nosed defenseman, who immediately threw it into North's corner. Lundeen was so fired up that he blew past our forwards, North's forwards, and even their defensemen, beating everyone to the puck. He looked up for an open teammate. Seeing everyone covered, he circled out of the corner and snapped the puck just inside the left post. Only fifteen seconds into the final period we had tied the game, 3–3.

Our guys played hard, smart hockey, doing all of the little things we'd been working on for weeks. We finally beat North's goalie on a scrappy rebound goal midway through the period, then buried another one five minutes later to go ahead 5–3. In the final minute, Lundeen tapped a clever pass off the boards to Clarke, who breezed in for our sixth and final goal.

When the horn blew, the guys piled on top of one another as though they'd won the Stanley Cup. Standbridge and I just stood at the blue line, shaking our heads. This wasn't a consolation win. It wasn't the law of averages finally kicking in. It was a convincing victory over a very good team. It was a year and a half of unrewarded effort finally being rewarded.

As the team headed for the locker room, Standbridge saw a half dozen players from last year's team in the lobby. He pulled them into the celebration, too.

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"You're a part of this," he told them. "Come on in and enjoy it."

While the players hollered and high-fived, Standbridge dropped out of sight. I checked the lobby, the equipment room, and even the bathroom. Finally I noticed that the door leading from the showers to the outdoor pool was cracked open. Outside I found my boss in the cool November breeze, his face buried in his right hand, weeping silently. "These kids really deserved this," was all he could say.

When I was six years old, Bill Standbridge sold me my first pair of skates. He was captain of Pioneer's hockey team back then, and I was so in awe of him that I could hardly speak. I'd looked up to him ever since—but never more than at that moment under the pool lights. I put a hand on his shoulder, turned, and left him alone.

The next few weeks were hard, but we expected that. Huron plays in the toughest league in the state. At one point last season, the four other teams in our division—Trenton, Brother Rice, Catholic Central, and our crosstown rival, Pioneer—were the four top-ranked teams in Michigan. You could be the last-place team in our division and still be the fifth best in the state. But that was little consolation when you had to play them. Catholic Central and Brother Rice came into town and shellacked us, 8–0 and 7–2, respectively. After those losses, we had to gather our courage to play the most important game on our schedule: Pioneer.

The Pioneer hockey team had dominated Huron's until Standbridge took over in 1989. Coming into his fifth season, his record against Pioneer stood at an entirely respectable 5–7–1, and trust me, it mattered. Standbridge joked that we could go 2–20 and the parents would be happy—provided those two wins were over Pioneer.

But Pioneer had won our last five matchups. This year, they had four times more players from the elite travel-team program than we had, including the best goalie in the state. The only way to beat this guy, we told our players, was to distract him. That meant camping out in front of the goal every chance we had to create screens, tips, and rebounds.

Our guys did exactly as they were told, and midway through the first period, Kenny Becker banged home a rebound. We'd opened the scoring, but Pioneer countered with a goal of its own three minutes later. In the second period, Captain Clarke knocked in another rebound to put us up, 2–1. The Huron fans went crazy. None of our players rested, though, because Pioneer had a long history of come-from-behind victories.

Early in the third period, during a scramble in front of the Pioneer goal, our guys scored on yet another rebound to go up 3–1. Pioneer came back to score, but just thirty seconds later, we slammed home our fourth rebound goal of the night to take a 4–2 lead.

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"No backing off, no backing off!" Standbridge yelled. "Keep attacking them, and let the clock take care of itself."

Our players attacked so hard that the Pioneers didn't get a single shot on net the rest of the game. With the score still 4–2, the Huron students counted down the final seconds, then leaped over the Plexiglas to hug our players. If the celebration after the Grosse Pointe North game was relief, this one was pure ecstasy.

During last year's epic losing streak, the players took a lot of crap in the hallways. If my ed school professors had heard it, they'd have condemned us for allowing the "destruction of their self-esteem." But kids aren't stupid. They can tell the difference between empty praise and genuine accomplishment. After the Pioneer game, our guys savored the flip side of accountability. The hallway high fives didn't stop for a week.

Our spirits were soaring as we headed into our next game, against Trenton. They were undefeated and ranked number one in the state, as usual, but had stumbled enough times to feed our hopes that we might actually pull off our second victory over them in a quarter century. Some parents, caught up in the excitement, brought large painted banners to practice. "*Beat Trenton,*" one urged. "This is *our* year!"

But hope is a dangerous thing. Trenton crushed us, 16–0, shattering our dreams of an upset. We had plenty to think about on the long, cold bus ride home.

Then came January, "Hell Month," when we played the strongest teams in the state, game after game. First Brother Rice dismembered us, 14–0, then Grosse Pointe South spanked us, 11–1. By the end of the month, as we prepared for our rematch against all-powerful Trenton, Standbridge and I had reason to fear a repeat of last season's spirit-sucking slide.

For Trenton II, there were no rah-rah banners urging an upset. Instead of practicing sophisticated offensive systems, we focused on boring defensive assignments.

We took an early lead on an artistic Becker breakaway goal, only to give it back on a freak accident, when one of our defensemen threw the puck into our own net. Making matters worse, the referees twice called us for dubious penalties, which Trenton quickly converted into a 3–1 lead.

But our guys kept fighting. They stuck to the boring defensive style we'd prescribed and still managed to create two good chances in front of Trenton's goal. Incredibly, Becker and Clarke made them both count, tying the score at 3–3 with ten minutes left in the game.

Once again, we dared to dream of a historic upset. But in a twist of fate the law of averages couldn't duplicate, the gods couldn't reproduce, and the kids couldn't overcome, the same defenseman inadvertently threw the puck past our stunned goalie again. With that parting gift, Trenton snuck out of our building with a 4–3 win.

When the horn blew, Clarke hugged the defenseman, letting him know the team forgave him. As the players headed for the locker room, the small crowd stood and cheered. I don't normally believe in moral victories, but that night, I made an exception.

The week of the Trenton game, I got to talking with Dean Nagy in the history lounge. Nagy, a teacher I greatly admire, complained about the mayhem in the hallways. I couldn't resist pointing out how much more discipline we had on the hockey team. That launched us into a freewheeling discussion of teaching and coaching.

Nagy agreed that coaches had more clout with their players than teachers had with their students. But the coaches, he argued, had an important advantage: "Parental support. The same parents who will do anything for the hockey team won't help Johnny with his homework."

True enough, I allowed. But then I pointed out the trade-off: parents also got open invitations to all of our practices and games. "How many teachers open their classrooms like that?" I asked. "Only teachers like you, Dean, with nothing to hide." In fact, I was struck by how much Huron's best teachers resembled its best coaches. Both combined high expectations with a deep concern for their students.

"Maybe so," Nagy said, clearly enjoying the discussion. "But how many teachers get lauded on the front page of the *Ann Arbor News*? Jeez, you beat Pioneer, and they treat you like you're a freakin' Nobel Laureate."

I laughed. "Point well-taken," I said, "and that's clearly wrong." I was learning the hard way how difficult it was to teach well. But again, I argued, there was a trade-off. Coaches got praise and power in exchange for accountability. If we lost too many games, or if our kids ran wild, we'd be fired. "Hell, Dean, I'm held more accountable for my kids' grades when I'm *coaching* than when I'm *teaching*."

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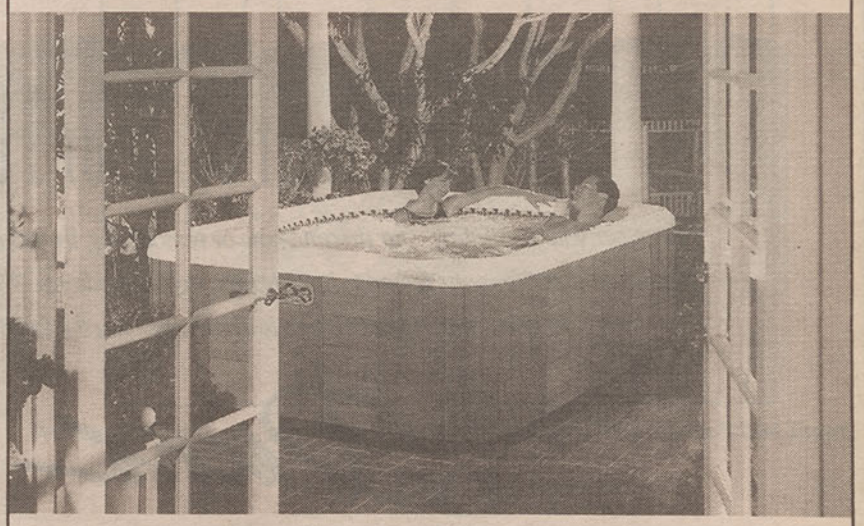

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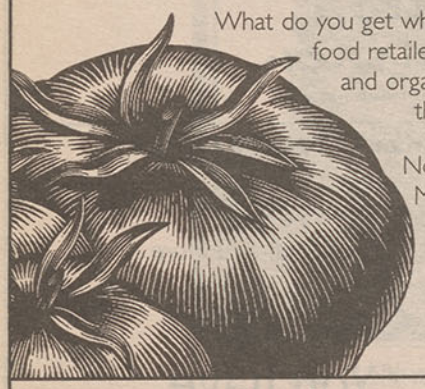

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## HOCKEY DIARY

2.0, he'd become ineligible. That's one reason I ran a mandatory study table every Monday night. Then I added, just for fun, "How many teachers would want to have their performance reviewed twice a week in the *Ann Arbor News*?"

Now we were both chuckling.

"You wanna compare budgets?" Nagy asked.

"You wanna compare paychecks?" I countered. As an assistant coach, I would earn about $2,000 for a 400-hour season. A veteran teacher like Nagy made that much in two weeks. Not that I was complaining. Of the hockey team's five coaches, only Standbridge and I received any money at all. The other guys weren't paid a cent.

"Ah, but you're forgetting the biggest difference," Nagy said, raising an index finger. "Those players *want* to be there. If these students didn't have to take U.S. history, we'd have three sections a day, not twenty."

He had me there. But why *did* kids care more about playing hockey than studying history? After all, we coaches were far more demanding than most teachers, and even the players knew their futures were in the classroom, not on the ice.

One reason, I guessed aloud, was that coaches, like school band conductors and theater directors, expected their kids to be active participants, not just passive recipients. Coaches also gave kids something to belong to—that can mean a lot in a school of 1,600 students—and bushels of attention.

"Sure," Nagy pointed out, "but it's easy to give that kind of attention when you only have twenty-five players." A typical teacher, on the other hand, might see 140 kids a day.

Also true, I agreed. But our high coach-kid ratios were only possible because Standbridge and I were working for fast-food wages and the other three coaches for nothing at all. So why were we doing it?

The answer was simple, I realized. We love hockey.

And that, I decided, is the biggest reason so many kids seem to prefer sports to school: coaches are passionate about their work, and it shows.

Only the best teachers study their subjects in their free time, or see their students outside of class. Almost all coaches, on the other hand, intensely follow their sports and love to hang around with their players after practice. While some teachers are notorious for calling in sick on Fridays, coaches eagerly seek jobs that offer no vacations, no weekends off, no substitutes, and no security. Kids are passionate about sports because their coaches are.

The bell rang, announcing the end of our discussion. "Hey, the solution is easy," I said, half-serious. "Give teachers fewer students and more authority, then make them accountable for the results. That way, the powers that be can weed out some of the weaker teachers—the same way they weed out the weaker coaches—and re-

place them with more passionate, professional people—people like you, Dean."

The near-upset of Trenton gave us a welcome booster shot, just in time for our rematch with Pioneer. Sticking with our defense-first, distract-the-goalie-second strategy, we won again, 4–2.

The highlight was a pretty play in the second period. Ricky Weiss, an undersized, overachieving senior, passed the puck to a teammate in the Pioneer end, who dished it to our defenseman. He in turn shot it toward the Pioneer net, where Weiss had stationed himself. When Weiss tipped the puck past the goalie for the winning goal, you could see his ecstatic expression clear across the rink.

When you beat Pioneer, all is right with the world. The next day always feels sunny and warm, even in February, and your sense of well-being is so complete, you expect furry woodland creatures to come out and greet you. I've always felt sorry for the Pioneers, because beating us can't be half as much fun.

We tried not to get too high because we expected to meet the Pioneers a few weeks later in the regional final—our Holy Grail. But first we had to beat Brighton. Two years earlier, Brighton had pulled off what is probably the greatest upset in Michigan high school hockey history when they beat top-ranked Trenton, 2–1, in the regional final. This year, though, they finished fifth in the six-team Yost holiday tournament, and looked so bad we didn't even bother to scout them.

We outshot Brighton in the first period but returned to the locker room down 2–0, thanks to a couple of shots over our goalie's glove hand, the kind of shots few high school shooters can make.

After getting chewed out by Standbridge and Clarke, our boys came alive in the second period. They fired sixteen shots on Brighton's goalie, but incredibly, he knocked them all back. Brighton could only manage four shots at our end, but even more incredibly, three of them flew past our goalie's glove hand: 5–0.

Five-nothing.

We returned to the locker room dazed, almost not believing what we had just seen. We were in too deep for a mere kick in the pants to help, so Standbridge searched for something positive. "You want to pull off the greatest comeback in Huron history, here's your chance," he told them. "We're coming after 'em. *Don't give up!*"

They didn't. Just ten seconds into the period, one of our junior defensemen beat Brighton's goalie on the stick side, his weak spot. Two minutes later, he scored again. And two minutes after that, a Brighton penalty gave us a man advantage, convincing me that we could actually catch them.

Just seconds into the power play, however, we took a stupid penalty and lost our advantage. A minute later, Brighton's first shot of the period flew over our goalie's trapper on the way to the back of the net. A few minutes after that, their seventh and final goal extinguished our last flicker of hope.

Standing on the ice, shaking the Brighton players' hands, I was still thinking of player substitutions, as if the game—and our season—hadn't just ended. The finality of it didn't hit me until I walked into the locker room.

Most of the guys had buried their heads in towels. Once again, I couldn't find Standbridge. I tracked him down where I should have looked first. He was in the doorway leading to the pool, crying quietly. Once again, I left him alone.

I returned to the locker room and sat next to Ricky Weiss, the smallest kid on the team. He wasn't the captain, he wasn't the leading scorer, but the loss seemed to hit him hardest of all. It was almost an hour before he peeled off his jersey for the last time and threw it in the pile in the middle of the floor. I could not help but feel that I had let him down terribly.

These seniors were supposed to win the regional title, not exit on the first night of the play-offs. We had not planned to say good-bye so soon.

At the annual hockey banquet, Standbridge passed out varsity letters to all of the players, saying a few words about each one. Then the seniors got up to speak.

Captain Alan Clarke led off. He talked about how much the team meant to him and how much he had gained by being a part of it. Struggling to maintain his composure, he thanked his parents, his coaches, and especially his teammates for giving him such a great experience. When he finished, he was crying openly, barely able to whisper his final words.

I was moved, but not too surprised. Clarke was an unusually sincere, thoughtful young man, and the emotional leader of this team. But when Kenny Becker got up to talk, he started crying, too. Then Ricky Weiss did the same. By the time the eighth and last senior finished crying at the podium, the parents, the coaches, and even the administrators were wiping away tears.

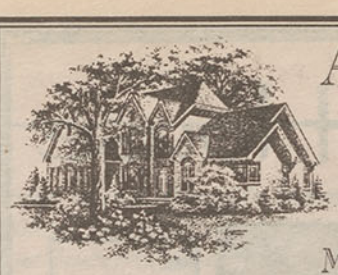
That's when it hit me: all this time, I had it wrong. The whole enterprise was *not* about wins and losses—and thank God for that. We finished at 8–13–2. That was a notable improvement over last year, but a losing season just the same.

The Brighton game still bothered me, but the players had moved beyond it. What they took away from this season were the values Standbridge had laid out on day one: the importance of sticking together, the virtue of never giving up, and the comfort of belonging to something bigger than themselves.

A few days later I stopped by the school spirit shop to pick up a candy bar and saw the mother of one of our players behind the counter. We started talking about the banquet. Like everyone else who'd been there, she couldn't get over the seniors' obvious devotion to one another.

"Such emotion!" she said, still amazed. "I wasn't ready for all that."

Neither was I. ■

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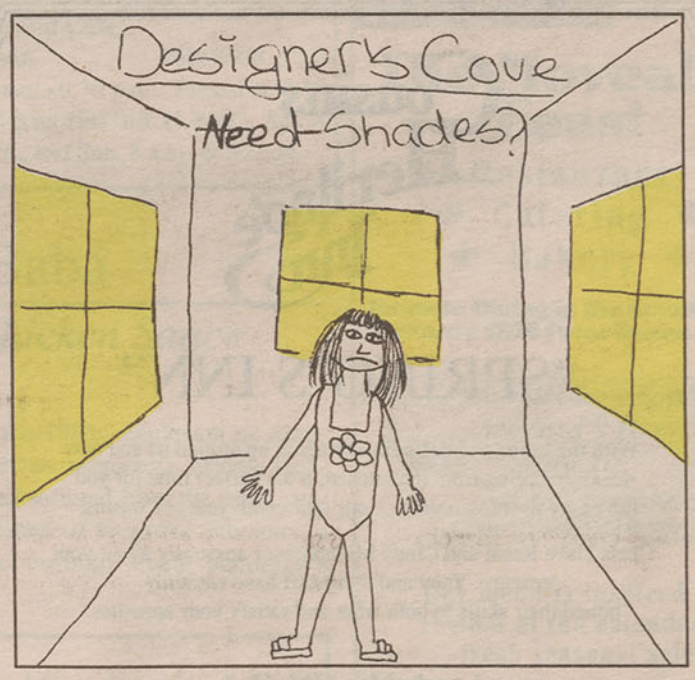


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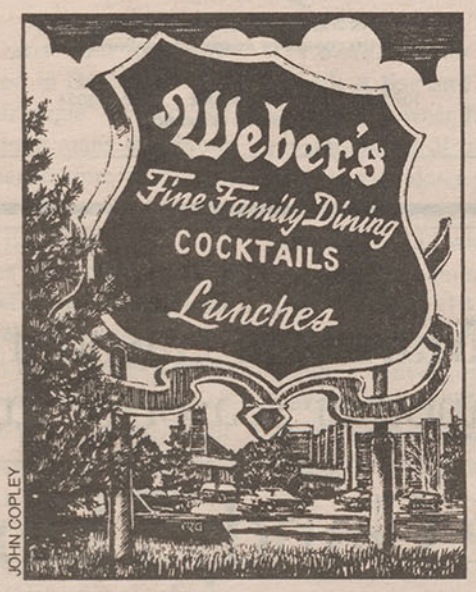
For the Weber family, decision time was 1993. That's when they called in Detroit public relations whiz Ron Hoffman, whose focus group research revealed a sobering truth: the fifty-five-and-over crowd loved Weber's; the twenty-one- to fifty-year-olds, however, were hanging out downtown.



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The Webers didn't flinch. Instead they hired Peterhansrea, the Detroit design firm whose playful high-impact interiors brighten Chelsea's Common Grill, Novi's Too Chez, and countless other restaurants in suburban Detroit. David Peterhans and Ron Rea transformed what was then a very traditional dining room into a whimsical flight of fancy dominated by gigantic 250-pound fruit suspended from the restaurant's soaring barnlike rafters. The designers kept the dining room's distinctive stained-glass windows, repeating their color-block motif in tiled columns and hand-tinted photographs of turn-of-the-century Ann Arbor.

The menu was completely revamped: no more surf and turf, veal medallions, or lobster Thermidor. Instead diners chose from new, 1990s offerings: firecracker pork, smoked salmon farfalle, swordfish en brochette. They washed down their dessert with cappuccino and caffè latte.

Did the renovation work? Yes, and no. On a recent Saturday night, a group of friends and I had to wait an hour for a table because I hadn't thought to make a reservation. But when I took a look at the menu, I was surprised to see that most of the cutting-edge ethnicity of the 1993 menu was gone, and that a number of old reliables—surf and turf, London broil, chicken Marsala, Thermidor—had snuck back.

Appetizers ($5–$7) mix old and new. Most of them are pretty good, from classics like ice-cold, firm shrimp cocktail and bluepoint oysters to portobello, oyster, and shiitake mushroom caps in a rich Madeira cream; a Gorgonzola and port wine–stuffed Brie; and a shrimp and Jack cheese quesadilla served with a piquant corn and black bean salsa. Mussels steamed in a garlic-spiked clam broth are just fine; the dried-out "cheese" bread pontoon served on the side is not.

Entrees come with an inoffensive house salad sprinkled with dried cherries and sliced almonds or a cup of soup that purports to be homemade but has the artificially stiff consistency of a commercial product. For $1, you can upgrade to a Caesar dressed with a surprisingly assertive anchovy dressing and—yuck!—a dusting of canned powdered Parmesan.

I sampled six entrees at Weber's over the course of two visits. The first batch, ordered on that busy Saturday, was disappointing. The broiled mahi mahi ($13.95) was uncharacteristically fishy, and its teriyaki glaze all but indiscernible; the cranberry-glazed duck ($12.95) was overcooked; and the filet mignon (filet and salmon combination, $19.95), ordered medium, arrived lukewarm and bone dry, as if it had been held under a warming lamp until the rest of the entrees were ready. The only winner in the group was a soft-shell crab special ($16.95), sautéed in a mild, thick curry sauce sweetened with mango.

The next time I stopped in, a slow Monday, I tried out a couple of old standbys: prime rib, a specialty of the house since 1950, and the Thermidor, updated from the old menu by virtue of being served over linguine instead of in a half-lobster. The prime rib (12 oz., $11.95; 16 oz., $14.95), ordered medium-rare, was absolutely perfect: lean, rosy, hot, juicy. I don't even *like* prime rib, and I was completely won over. My dinner companion ordered it with a side of the house potatoes mashed with horseradish, a great foil for the meat.

The linguine Thermidor ($13.95) was an indulgent sauté of rock shrimp, salmon, swordfish, enormous sea scallops, and mushrooms in a brandied cream sauce over pasta. It was wonderfully, ridiculously rich, as Thermidor should be. Unaccustomed to such a wealth of excess, I ended up picking out the seafood and leaving most of the sauce and pasta behind.

Weber's desserts are so large that people at other tables make jokes about you when you order them. They're also an open invitation to insulin shock, from a giant chocolate éclair the size of a sub bun to the homemade peanut butter ice cream stuffed in a chocolate cookie shell. The reduced-fat chocolate cake in strawberry sauce is, in particular, sweet enough to make your teeth itch, presumably to make up for the missing "mouth feel" of the fat.

Refuse to change, you die. Change too much, you die anyway. The Weber family, it seems, is now straddling the line between the two. If in doing so they've rendered the restaurant less interesting than it was back in 1993, that's probably a good thing.

For many Ann Arborites, going to dinner at Weber's is a long-standing tradition. Traditions should be comforting, even predictable. Weber's may provide fewer surprises these days, but the crowds confirm that its balance of old and new is one its customers appreciate.

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## *The Chicken Sauce*

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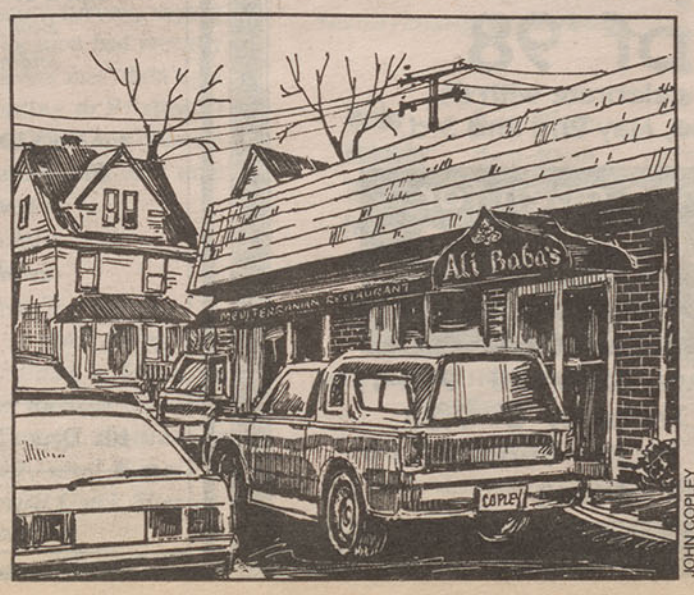

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Ali Baba, the Daris' first foray into restauranting, opened in December 1994 on the "sandwich triangle" of Packard, Hill, and State. Adnan mans the dining room with convenience-store efficiency, while Omar runs the kitchen, turning out genuinely fine Mid East meals.

Ali Baba serves its mostly student clientele falafels and shish kebabs in renditions that vary little from every other Middle Eastern grill in the ghetto. Omar's signature chicken *shawarma* (sandwich, $3.99; platter, $9.95) is sublime, wrapping pita around marinated, broiled, and shredded thighs with squeaky-sweet pickles, lettuce, tomato, and cuke dices for a most satisfying hearty bite. The lamb shawarma and the *shish tawook* (chicken kebabs, $4.50) are almost as good—and the tawook comes with *the Chicken Sauce.*

The Chicken Sauce looks like an innocent mound of mashed potatoes in a small saucer. The recipe is simple: garlic, olive oil, lemon juice, salt. That's it. It's stiff because it's mostly garlic, and that's where it gets its wallop. After the first smear of this Middle Eastern wasabi, I was hooked. Soon after, I was spreading it on everything in sight—sandwich, falafel, fries. Diane held her nose for two days.

The Sauce also comes with the deboned chicken dinners (half, $7.95; whole, $10.95), a tender broiled "pick of the chix"—unshredded shawarma with Mediterranean dirty rice. A little dab of Sauce enlivens the mild smoky *baba ghanouge* ($4.25), awakens the cheesy strained yogurt *labne* sandwich ($2.50), and improves on the thin bitter tahini served with the *arayis* (ground, spiced lamb quesadillas, $6.95). Good to begin with, these dishes go over the top with the Chicken Sauce.

A *mezze*, or mix, of several small plates is a common Mediterranean meal. Omar's blond lentil soup (cup, $1.50; bowl, $2) is buttery-smooth and served with a lemon wedge—use it. Tart tabbouli (half order, $2.95; whole, $3.95) is all parsley and lemon. Fava bean *foole* ($3.95) is a wash: the garlic and tahini cancel each other out. Raw juices ($2.25–$2.95) are a treat in winter, but Ali Baba's are mostly foam. Instead, try the strong bitter Arabic coffee or the *yansoon* (anise tea, 85¢).

You pay up at the register, where a glass case holds desserts (honey-phyllo-pistachio confections and date *mamoul* newtons for 95¢ apiece) as well as breath mints, which by all means should not be missed.

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Quick Bites polled for coffee recommendations and got a potful! "I'm a truck driver, and for my money the Stadium **Dunkin' Donuts** has the best coffee in town." Several praised **Zingerman's** bean; **Cafe Felix** results were bipolar. Frequent Bite-er Anzen Allen insists there's no decent coffee in town (he blames lack of training and general decaf apathy); he tolerates the espresso at **Cafe Zola** and the Vietnamese coffee at **Kai Garden.**

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Concerned **Bennigan's** server Aaron Brisley called to follow up on last month's "Chain Gang" survey, saying that the Ann Arbor location had recently "released" several servers that "didn't get the concept." According to Brisley, "I can't improve the food, but I can improve the service." Ask for him the next time you visit Bennigan's.

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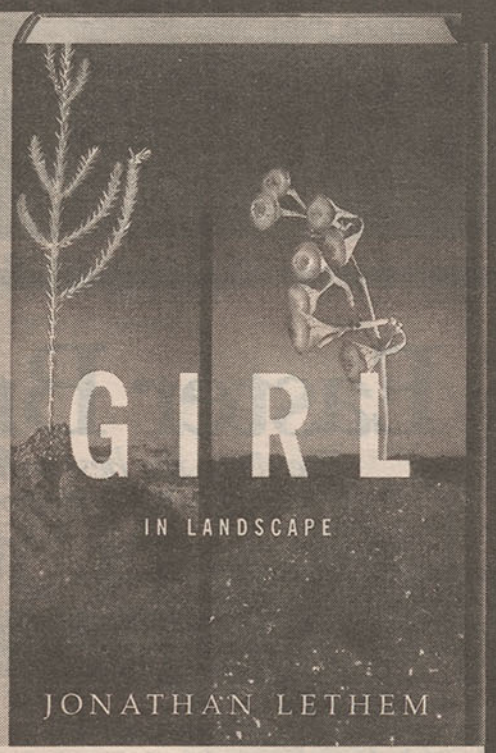


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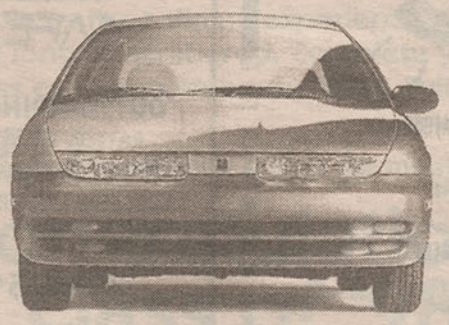

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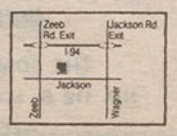


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# MARKETPLACE CHANGES

## Kroger and the Moose

### *Building a superstore was the easy part*

Why was the new **Kroger Food & Drug** superstore on South Maple so long in opening?

Simple. There was a Moose in the way.

When Kroger first announced plans to replace its Westgate store with a new superstore on the site of the Ann Arbor Moose Lodge, the company was projecting a late-1996 opening. As part of the site negotiations, Kroger agreed to build the Loyal Order of Moose a new lodge behind the old one, closer to the expressway. The company also agreed not to tear down the old lodge until the new one was in place.

Building a 72,000-square-foot superstore was relatively easy. Building a 12,000-square-foot Moose Lodge, on the other hand, turned out to be a frustrating process. Because Kroger couldn't finish their new store until the old lodge was demolished, the company was forced to watch its original late-1996 grand opening get pushed back to fall 1997, then to late 1997, and finally to February 1998.

"From day one, it's just been a mess," says Moose administrator Jim Colby. "Every move you make, every permit you need, first you have to go to the city, and then the city planning commission, and then the state has to okay it, and then the township has got to let you loose. You don't get on the schedule for review for two or three months, and then, if they don't like it, they kick it right back at you, and you have to start all over again."

There were problems with the waterlines. There were delays when the city decided to treat the lodge as a nightclub, which meant installing an extensive sprinkler system. The project had to be re-bid twice when bids expired before work could begin.

For Colby, the last straw was when the state insisted on a handicapped-access ramp not just to the bar area for patrons, but behind the bar itself. "We told them that what with the rubber mats on the floor, and the heavy cooler doors, and the height of the bar itself, it would be very difficult for someone in a wheelchair to tend bar," says Colby. "Three of our members are in wheelchairs, and we're very glad to be able to provide them with wider doors and better access in the new facility. But it just seemed to us that a bartender in a wheelchair just wasn't feasible. We lost that fight."

On August 1, 1997—five years after Kroger originally started negotiations with the Moose—the new Ann Arbor Moose Lodge opened its doors. Kroger then demolished the old lodge and proceeded to complete their store.

The new Kroger opened in late February. It's a behemoth—the biggest Kroger in southeastern Michigan—and houses a full-service pharmacy; a child care center; a Great Lakes National Bank branch; expanded floral and natural foods departments; an in-store Coffee Beanery cafe; and a jewelry store, Corey's Jewelry Box.

It's all part of Kroger's plan to position its stores as a convenient one-stop shopping experience for the time-constrained consumer: one who dashes in, drops the kids off at the Kid's Korner, swoops through the store grabbing groceries, flowers, a cup of coffee, and a prescription refill, deposits a paycheck or two, rents a video, grabs the kids, and flies back out the door. It sounds exhausting, but according to Kroger, it's the way most of us do our shopping.

Other time-savers include Kroger's new "Compucook" kiosk, which provides menu ideas, recipes, a shopping list, and directions on where to find the items in the store; a ready-to-eat entree department called Meal Solutions; and the One-Stop Meal Shoppe, a central display featuring all of the ingredients necessary to prepare a complete meal. At checkout, the cashierless U-Scan allows customers with fifteen items or less to scan their own purchases while a computerized voice talks them through the process.

According to store manager Bob Berry, the new Kroger is a huge success with customers. "I've heard nothing but positive comments, especially from our regular customers from the old store who make it a point to seek you out and tell you how much they like the new store," he says. "Of course, everybody's trying to get used to the new layout, but they're telling me, 'Once I get used to where everything is, I'm really going to like it.' "

The new layout takes some getting used to. Most supermarkets follow a standard traffic pattern: perishables, canned goods, nongrocery items, and finally, dairy. The new Kroger also puts produce first, but follows it with toilet paper, light bulbs, and other nongrocery items. Canned goods are way on the other side of the store, over by the dairy sections and frozen food. One recent weekday afternoon, I passed a group of elderly women who'd corralled their carts to commiserate in the canned-vegetable aisle. "This place is so big," muttered one. "I just don't know."

"They gave me a map," offered another.

"Oh, that. I couldn't make heads or

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**The new Maple Road Kroger opened more than a year later than planned, mainly because of problems replacing the Moose Lodge on its site. For the Cincinnati chain, the wait was worth it. "We've set a lot of records here," says store manager Bob Berry.**

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## Zing news nibbles

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**Zingerman's Fills Up the Seder Plate**

Passover begins the evening of April 11. Zingerman's Bakehouse will bake scrumptious coconut and chocolate maccaroons and their Chocolate-Orange Torte. Charoset, horseradish, mahogany eggs and other Seder delicacies will be available from Zingerman's Delicatessen. Orders may be placed by calling 663-3400.

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# Don't Judge a Cookie by Its Cover

## Better-Tasting Baked Goods from Zingerman's Bakehouse

**An exposé by ARI WEINZWEIG**

A Community High School student gives Zingerman's Bakehouse "Big O's" a thumbs up!

Ever buy a piece of pastry that looked absolutely incredible but when you bit into it there was almost no flavor at all? We hate that.

One thing we've learned about purchasing pastry is that, quite honestly, the look of the stuff has little to do with the actual flavor of the food. We know darned well that anyone can sell a cute-looking cookie or a beautiful brownie for about half the price. It's not all that difficult to do: substitute margarine for butter, take out the real vanilla and put in artificial vanillin, get rid of the nuts, replace real eggs with cartons of frozen commercial "eggs." But the point of a good pastry isn't how it looks. It's how it tastes. The fullness of the flavor, the richness, the complexity, the finish.

So how do you know what you're getting? Here are three things we do before we buy pastry:

**1. Check the ingredients**

You can bake a decent-looking cookie with little more than flour, shortening and a lot of sugar. They even sell stuff called "oven-fresh flavor"—the bakery equivalent of liquid smoke. But regardless of how it looks, the flavor of the finished baked goods will never be better than what the baker buys to put in. So before you buy, ask to see the ingredients list. We'll show you ours.

**2. Get scent-uous**

Good pastry should smell as good as it looks. Break open any croissant, cinnamon roll or danish. When your nose catches the aroma of sweet butter, fine chocolate, or the sensuous scents of real vanilla or cinnamon you're headed in the right direction. (One caveat: if you smell coconut where it doesn't seem to belong, you probably have a product prepared with tropical oils used as shortening.)

**3. Taste before you buy**

In the end, the only taste that counts is yours. We encourage you to try any of our—or anyone else's—baked goods before you buy. We want to make sure you like what you're getting before you sink your hard-earned money, your well-watched calories and your well-brushed teeth into our Sweet Stuff. Enjoy!

### It's What's Inside that Counts

## Zingerman's Confesses Secret to Flavorful Food

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## Zingerman's "Moos" Over to the Gold Standard with Premium Gold Angus Beef

Zingerman's Corned Beef gets the Gold Medal for flavor!

Reliable sources report that a few months ago Zingerman's Delicatessen upgraded to Zingerman's Premium Gold Angus Beef. The sources confirm that this is beef from certified Black Angus cattle and that it's free of hormones. Most importantly, it's much more *tender*, which is absolutely critical (as anyone who's sampled the standard corned beef fare knows all too well). This new, all-Angus corned beef is only available at Zingerman's. Sample it on sandwiches, sliced by the pound or buy a whole brisket to take home and cook up. Like everything else at Zingerman's, they're also standing by to ship a pound or two to deli-lovers all over America. Deli spokespeople assert that customers may try a taste for themselves: the first taste is on the house, no questions asked.

tails of it," said a third. "I threw mine away."

The new Kroger is not without a measure of whimsy. In the freezer section, paper penguins top the display cases. In the dairy department, a cow sound effect plays at regular intervals. When I stopped in to pick up some yogurt last week, I caught another customer's eye just as the first lonesome "moo" let loose. We looked at each other in silence for a moment. "That could get real annoying real fast," she said.

Kroger's employees are still trying to find their way around, too. "Nobody knows where anything is," says one cashier. "Even I don't know where anything is. I keep a map here by the register, in case someone asks me where to find something. Everyone's a little strung out."

Opening-week stresses aside, the new Kroger is doing a bang-up business. Berry declines to reveal actual sales figures but says that sales were way, way up. "We've set a lot of records here," he says.

*Kroger Food & Drug, 400 South Maple, 213–2340. Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.*

# Arts and crafts on the move

## *Including bigger quarters for the Scrap Box*

Year-end lease changes launched a kids' craft center, a do-it-yourself pottery studio, and an art gallery into new quarters for 1998. On the south side of town, persistence paid off for the volunteers who run the **Scrap Box,** where manufacturers' castoffs and by-products are collected and sold as fun, funky arts and crafts supplies. The nonprofit organization wanted to move from their State Circle location to a larger space two doors west, but the first zoning department staffer they appealed to refused to consider reclassifying the location as retail instead of light industrial. "The first guy we talked to said, 'Nah, no way,' " explains Scrap Box volunteer Kit Mundus Steinaway. "So then we went to his boss, who said, 'Yeah, of course we will!' "

The new space gives the Scrap Box more workshop space, and says Steinaway, "just more store! We'll be able to have more merchandise, and when we have workshops or kids' parties, we'll be able to do two at once, and we won't have to schedule them for when the store is closed, like we used to." The Scrap Box will continue to sell most of their odds and ends by the $4 grocery bagful, or $2.50 for a smaller bag.

Downtown, the Ann Arbor Art Center moved its **Feat of Clay** "paint your own pottery" studio from its original spot at 305 South Ashley into the Art Center itself on West Liberty. The new studio is on the building's sunny third floor, above the second-floor ArtVentures Drop-In multimedia studio and the first-floor gallery shop. The idea is to create a synergy between the drop-in studios, the gallery, and the Art Center registration desk, where customers can stop in and sign up for classes. "It's a really neat space," says marketing director Sharon Drobny of the new studio. "It's got those nice big windows, exposed brick walls, hardwood floors, plants. It's really pretty."

In early February, Teri Marra moved her **T'Marra Gallery** from 111 North First to 717 West Huron after her landlord sold the building to a group of therapists. "I'd been there for thirteen years, and the building had been on the market for six of them," says Marra. "I always knew I'd have to move eventually."

T'Marra now occupies the entire first floor of a handsome old gray and white Victorian mansion–turned–apartment house. The neighborhood is a congenial

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**The Scrap Box added more workshop and party space with its move two doors west.**


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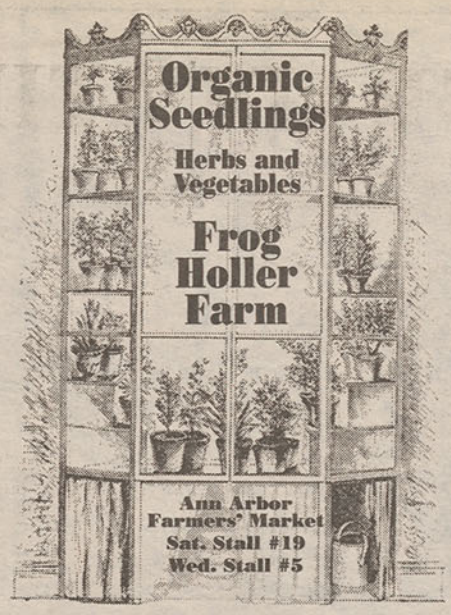


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mix of commercial and residential, and Marra says it suits her just fine. "I love that urban feeling," she says. "And this way, I'm close enough to downtown to feel like I'm part of the city without having to pay downtown prices."

Marra, whose gallery showcases Michigan artists Joan Rosenblum, Kari Koron Wagner, and Paul Stewart, among others, says that most of her business comes from corporate clients. She's recently placed art at the U-M, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Jacobson's, Comerica Bank's downtown Detroit headquarters, and Standard Federal Bank in Troy.

*The Scrap Box, 581 State Circle, 994–4420. Tues. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Wed.–Fri. 2–6 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Closed Sundays and Mondays.*

*Feat of Clay, 117 West Liberty, 994–8004. Studio hours: Tues.–Fri. 1–6 p.m. (Fri. till 9 p.m.), Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. noon–5 p.m. Closed Mondays.*

*T'Marra Gallery, 717 West Huron, 769–3223. Hours by appointment.*

# Thai food on Washtenaw

## *From Modern Kitchen to Siam Square*

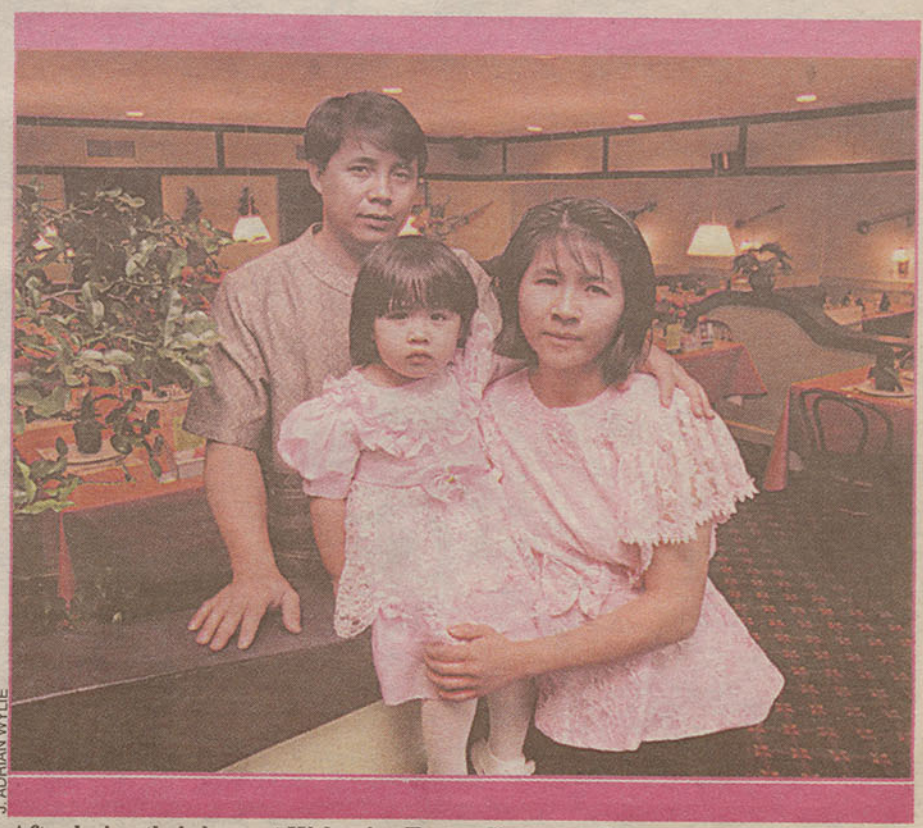
When the owners of Modern Kitchen lost their Wolverine Tower lease last summer, they hoped to find a more accessible location closer to downtown. Instead, intense competition and high rents drove them east. In December, they opened a new restaurant inside the hotel on Washtenaw Avenue just west of the US-23 overpass. They're calling the place **Siam Square.**

The restaurant space is something of a gamble. The hotel previously housed a Chinese restaurant called Golden Bridge. It lasted less than six months. Before that, the space had been vacant for four years. But Siam Square owners Vasanna Srisaengyos and her husband, Sinnasone Inhmathong, who also own the Thai & Lao Oriental Grocery, on Packard, say that business is slowly but surely picking up. "Our old customers are starting to find us," says Srisaengyos.

Finding them is no easy task. Siam Square's sign is easily visible from Washtenaw, but there's no access from Washtenaw into the parking lot. If you head for what looks like the hotel's driveway, you'll find yourself rocketing down a ramp toward southbound US-23. The secret is to turn at Yost Boulevard, which is the stoplight immediately west of the hotel. But be warned, when it comes time to leave, there is no left turn from Yost onto Washtenaw; if you want to get back to Ann Arbor, you have to drive around the back of Frank's Nursery to Pittsfield Boulevard.

Fans of the former Modern Kitchen say the food is worth the effort. Siam Square's menu (basically the Modern Kitchen's with a different name on the cover) is a happy spicy selection of Thai specialties created by Srisaengyos's aunt, Sompit Samakthanasarn, who heads up the kitchen. There are noodle soups and stir-fries, fried "express" rice, and chicken, seafood, and meat dishes spiked with chili paste, garlic, curry, or fresh basil. The restaurant is vegetarian-friendly, and there's also a wide selection of dishes labeled low-fat. Some skepticism might be advisable there though—one of the "low-fat" dishes is described on the menu as "deep-fried salted pork."

*Siam Square, 3750 Washtenaw, 975–*



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**After losing their lease at Wolverine Tower, Sinnasone Inhmathong and Vasanna Srisaengyos (holding daughter Thai) are back with Siam Square.**

*4541. Mon.–Sat. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. (Thurs.–Sat. till midnight). Closed Sundays.*

# Briefly Noted

The table is set, the lighting subdued. A flute concerto floats gently from concealed speakers. The flowers match the drapes. On the sideboard, a plate of muffins beckons invitingly. They look great, but bite into one, and you'll chip a tooth. They're ceramic.

This isn't real life; it's the expanded **Ethan Allen** store at Cranbrook Center. The furniture retailer's showroom had been only 4,500 square feet, on the small side for the 257-store chain. With the addition of the former Redwood & Ross space next door, however, it now tops out at 9,000—double the space to showcase Ethan Allen's custom-made collections.

The new space adds dozens of displays, each more inviting than the last. In one, a leather sectional and deep cushy armchairs surround an entertainment center where *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Disney, not Lon Chaney) is playing on the big-screen TV. In another, there's a soft sumptuous king-size bed, designer linens turned down and ready for sweet dreams. Every display is a tastefully appointed slice of the good life, from the carefully placed objets d'art to the books (though the latter appear to have been chosen for the color of their bindings rather than their content). Even the children's furniture display, with its toys set just so and a coatrack sporting an impossibly clean book bag, looks like the kids just ran outside to play—extraordinarily neat kids, to be sure, with a precocious eye for design.

The displays are so well put together that it's tempting simply to wave at a completely outfitted "room" and hand over your credit card. And in some Ethan Allen stores, according to Ann Arbor store manager Marcie Lane, customers do just that. But Ann Arbor, she points out, is a more conservative market, and people are more cautious about their purchases. "They're very educated," Lane says. "They have a lot of questions about the furniture, and they expect you to have the answers, which I think is great."

The question on just about every customer's mind is how long it will take to get their furniture delivered. The answer is, a while. There's no Ethan Allen furniture warehouse; each piece is custom-made to order in one of their U.S. facilities or, in the case of some of the dining room furniture, in Italy. Customers can expect to take delivery in six to fourteen weeks.

*Ethan Allen, 820 West Eisenhower (in Cranbrook Center), 995–5585. Mon.–Fri. 10 a.m.–8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. noon–5 p.m.*

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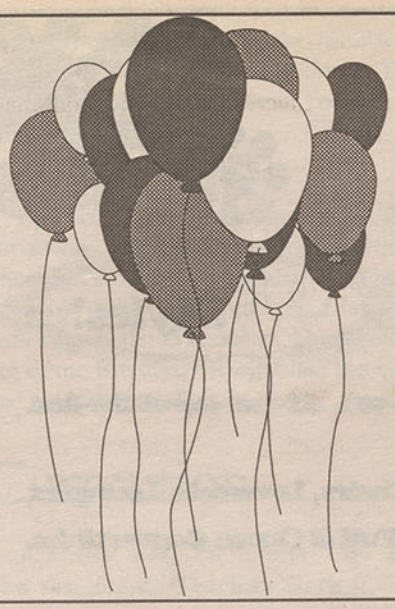
On New Year's Eve, **Tater's,** the food concession inside Bel-Mark Lanes on Jackson Road, closed down. The next

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Bowling is a hungry business. League games start as early as 5:30 or 6 p.m., leaving players little time to get something to eat before hitting the lanes. "They come in between frames and say, 'What's the quickest thing you have?' " says All-Star Grille manager Vicki Bowlds. "They order, then they run back and bowl, then they come back to pick it up. Sometimes, they forget that they ordered, and we don't see them for an hour or more."

Tater's had a relatively limited menu, but the All-Star offers thirty different items and plans to add more. "We have appetizers, really good homemade soups. We bread our own fish, we make our own nacho chips. We're putting in pizza ovens and making our own pizza," Bowlds says. "People are trying everything because they were so starved before."

When most people think bowling, they think burgers and beer, but according to Bowlds, in the fifteen years she's been in the business, that stereotype has changed. "These days, everybody's on a diet," she says. "I'm selling more veggie burgers and coleslaw now, especially when it gets warm and people start to take off their clothes and see some skin." Bowlds, despite her wonderfully apt name, doesn't bowl much herself. "Even my grandkids are better than me," she laughs.

The All-Star is the fifth bowling center food service operation for owner Steve Klein, who opened his first place downriver less than a year ago. "Steve was managing different pizzerias, and he wanted to strike out on his own," Bowlds explains. "These are good places to start if you don't have a lot of capital." Klein's other bowling center restaurants are all in the Detroit area.

Bowlds is hoping to provide table service to bowlers right at the lanes, but it probably won't happen until next league season, which starts just after Labor Day. In the meantime, she'll be concentrating on building her outside clientele. "This isn't just a food concession, it's a restaurant," she emphasizes. "We do a good lunch business with the car dealerships and factories around here."

*All-Star Grille, 3035 Jackson Road (inside Bel-Mark Lanes), 998–1060. Daily 11 a.m.–midnight (Fri. & Sat. till 1 a.m.).*

## Closings

With **Winkelman's** and **First Optometry** the latest in a string of closings at Arborland Mall, it's hard to keep track of what's still open in the center and what isn't. Jeff Renkert, spokesperson for Joseph Freed & Associates, the Illinois-based developer that is demolishing and rebuilding the center, says it will soon be very simple: once the site plan is approved, everything will close except for **Marshalls, OfficeMax, Toys R Us,** and **Service Merchandise.** All four will remain open during reconstruction in their

current locations, and then Toys R Us and Service Merchandise will be relocated to two new buildings on either side of where Marshalls now stands. The existing front of Marshalls will, in effect, form the front of the new shopping center.

The configuration will give the center its new stand-alone "box store" format and will also maximize parking. "Right now," says Renkert, "there's a lot of parking behind the center that's just useless. And moving Toys R Us next to Marshalls frees up even more parking in front."

The major tenants' decision to remain open during construction was bad news for the mall's smaller tenants, all of whom received notices to quit at the end of February (see Inside Ann Arbor). **Pictures Plus** owner Mike Grob will consolidate into his Westgate location, while **Gags and Gifts** will reopen in a larger spot across Washtenaw. But others, including **Affordable Cards and Gifts,** have yet to finalize deals on new locations. "We have no place to go," says co-owner Joyce Raeburn. "I feel it's very unfair the way they're treating us."

Renkert confirms that the household superstore **Bed Bath and Beyond** has discussed coming to Arborland, though no lease has been signed yet. But Ann Arbor is well-known to Ken Frankel, the director of planning for the New Jersey–based chain: one of his children is about to graduate from the U-M, while another starts classes here this fall.

**Home Depot,** on the other hand, won't be coming to the mall. The Atlanta-based home building products retailer was considering opening a store at the new Arborland but chose to go into the old HQ store on Carpenter Road instead. HQ, by the way, has resurfaced, in a manner of speaking. The Hechinger Company, HQ's troubled parent company, has merged with Builders Square.

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Joyce Tinkham, owner of **Trillium Treasures,** on Plymouth Road in Dixboro, E-mailed in early March to say that she would be closing her combination resale and arts and crafts shop on March 14. Tinkham says she's shutting down the store to concentrate on her own artwork and her work with the Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild and Indian World, a Detroit gallery devoted to Native American art.

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Used-clothing fans will lose another valuable resource when **Rag-O-Rama** closes its doors on East Liberty some time in April. Store manager Nicola Ozanich says the funky resale shop, which opened in 1996, is owned by Avalon, a Columbus, Ohio–based clothing retailer along the lines of Urban Outfitters. Both Urban Outfitters and Avalon make a lot of money selling students expensive new clothes made to look like pilled, faded 1970s rejects—so a chain of used-clothing stores selling the genuine article must not have seemed like too much of a stretch. Apparently, their young clientele prefer the faux versions to the real thing. Both the Ann Arbor Rag-O-Rama and the Madison, Wisconsin, store are closing down. The Columbus, Ohio, store remains open.

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**Lai Da** Chinese restaurant at 1151 Broadway, next to the Ann Arbor Thrift Shop, has closed. The restaurant had been open for three years and was a favorite with neighborhood residents, but the closing of the Broadway Kroger late last year had cut into its walk-in business.

## Correction

A March story on Tamiko Cowen's new restaurant, **Gourmet Garage,** implied that her landlord, John Koh, is still involved with Ann Arbor Plastics, the business that used to be in the Gourmet Garage building. Koh owned Ann Arbor Plastics for many years but sold the business in August 1991 to Tony Glinke, who moved it to the old People's Food Co-op warehouse at 727 West Ellsworth in 1996.

## Follow-up

*Five years ago this month,* the Marketplace Changes column reported a slew of moves, but only four new store and restaurant openings. **Ping On,** an all-you-can-eat Chinese buffet at 2910 Carpenter, has since closed, replaced by Great Lake Chinese Seafood. **Ann Arbor Orchids,** a labor of love for former paratrooper-turned–orchid grower Benny Gray, has moved from inside Nielsen's Flower Shop and Greenhouses on Maiden Lane, to Turner's Greenhouses on Wagner Road near the Ann Arbor–Saline Road intersection. The **Elmo's Supershirts** T-shirt shop on South State is still open and going strong, despite the recent closing of the Get Fleeced retail shop in the basement. **Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar,** just breaking ground five years ago, is by now a well-entrenched Briarwood-area favorite.

**April 1993 survival rate: 75 percent**

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*One year ago this month* was a similarly slow time for new business. Amid store expansions, renovations, and relocations, Marketplace Changes reported just three new businesses. All are still open: **Fertile Crescent,** the vegetable market that replaced Gala Produce in South Main Market; Bill and Anita Tanner's animal-themed art gallery, **Animality,** in the Market Place building next to Kerrytown; and **Holiday's,** the festively named replacement for the short-lived Kenny Rogers Roasters on West Stadium.

**April 1997 survival rate: 100 percent**

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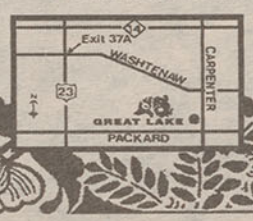


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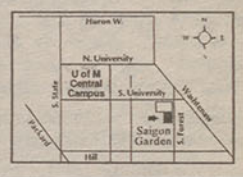


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**Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.**
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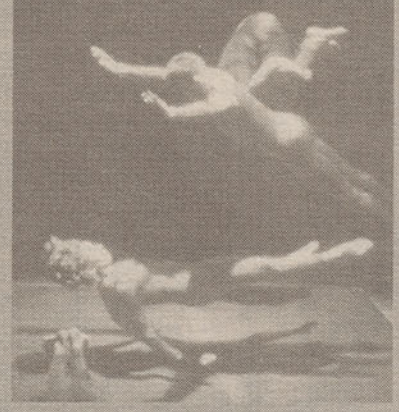

## Susanne Mentzer, mezzo-soprano

**Craig Rutenberg, piano**

**Tuesday, April 7, 8 p.m.**
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

Lyric mezzo-soprano Susanne Mentzer is one of those rare singers whose vocal and acting gifts are equally sublime. At home in the dramatic repertoire of Berlioz, Massenet and Richard Strauss as well as in the coloratura roles of Rossini, Bellini and Donizetti, Ms. Mentzer is a familiar face at the Metropolitan Opera, La Scala, Covent Garden, the Vienna State Opera and other prestigious houses.

PROGRAM:
Songs and Arias by Gluck, Haydn, Du Parc and Satie.

## Evgeny Kissin, piano

**Monday, April 13, 8 p.m.**
Hill Auditorium

Evgeny Kissin began life as a true little Mozart. At 14 months he could hum on pitch, at 2 he played the piano by ear and at 6 he stunned his teacher at Moscow's Gnessin Music School for Gifted Children by performing his own transcription of Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker*. At 18, his sold-out Carnegie Hall debut was heralded as an historic event and elicited comparisons to Horowitz and Rubinstein.

PROGRAM:

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| Beethoven | Sonata No. 28, Op. 101, in A Major |
| Brahms | Four Pieces, Op. 119 |
| Liszt | Sonata in b minor |

**Camerata Dinner,** *Sponsored by GM*
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Luz y Norte (Light and Guiding Star)

## The Harp Consort

**Andrew Lawrence-King, director**
(An ensemble of baroque guitars, harps and percussion)

**Thursday, April 23, 8 p.m.**
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

A Light and Guiding Star, by which one may walk through the music of the Spanish Guitar and Harp...Ribayaz' collection of Spanish, Italian, South American and African dance-music evokes the spirit of exploration and enlightenment as well as a more mystical imagery of astrology and the art of navigation. Andrew Lawrence-King directs the Harp Consort and flamenco dancer Steve Player, giving blazing life to a brilliant array of 17th-century Spanish songs, some of which evoke images of flamenco and even salsa.

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## Hagen String Quartet

**Wednesday, April 29, 8 p.m.**
Rackham Auditorium

The Hagen Quartet — including three Hagen siblings —began attracting attention while its members were still students at the Mozarteum in Salzburg. Today, it belongs to the elite of international string quartets, having developed a reputation for bold interpretation and challenging programming, and for its flawless technique and ensemble work.

PROGRAM

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| Schoenberg | String Quartet No. 3, Op. 30 |
| Shostakovich | String Quartet No. 3 in F Major, Op. 73 |

## April Educational Events

All activities are free and open to the public.

For more information on educational activities, call the UMS Education Office at 734-647-6712 or the UMS Box Office at 734-764-2538.

### STREB: PopACTION

**FamilyACTION:** A movement class for parents and children ages 4 and up, led by members of STREB. Tue, Mar 31, 7 p.m., Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling & Co. Studio. Call 734-747-8885 to register.

**PopACTION:** Technique class led by members of STREB. Wed, Apr 1, 7 p.m., Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling & Co. Studio. Call 734-747-8885 to register.

**Master of Arts:** Choreographer and MacArthur "Genius" Grant Recipient Elizabeth Streb, interviewed by Ben Johnson, UMS Director of Education/Audience Development. Thu, Apr 2, 7 p.m., Rackham Amphitheatre.

*In collaboration with the Institute for the Humanities, the Institute for Research on Women & Gender and Michigan Radio, WUOM/WVGR/WFUM.*

**Meet the Artists:** Post-performance dialogue from the stage, both evenings.

### Susanne Mentzer

**PREP:** "Susanne Mentzer – The Recital." Richard LeSueur, Vocal Arts Information Services. Sun, Apr 5, 2 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Basement Level. *In collaboration with the Ann Arbor District Library.*

**Meet the Artist:** Post-performance dialogue from the stage.

### Luz y Norte

**PREP:** "Luz y Norte." Andrew Lawrence King, Artistic Director of The Harp Consort. Thu, Apr 23, 7 p.m., MI League Koessler Library (3rd floor).

### Marsalis/Stravinsky

**PREP:** "Marsalis & Stravinsky: A Dialogue." Travis Jackson, U-M Assistant Professor of Music History and Musicology and Glenn Watkins, Earl V. Moore Professor of Musicology. Fri, Apr 24, 7 p.m., MI League Henderson Rm.

### Hagen String Quartet

**Meet the Artists:** Post-performance dialogue from the stage.

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| Gershwin | Three Preludes for Piano |
| Beethoven | Sonata No. 14 in c-sharp minor, Op. 27, No. 2 ("Moonlight") |
| Chopin | Ballade No. 3 in A-flat Major, Op. 47 |
| | Three Waltzes, Op. 64 |
| | Scherzo No. 2 in b-flat minor, Op. 31 |

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**What gets in?**

With few exceptions, events must be within Ann Arbor. Always include the address and telephone of a contact person. Please try to submit materials as early as possible; items submitted after the deadline (usually the 2nd Friday of the preceding month) might not get in.

**Next month's deadline:**

All appropriate materials received by Saturday, April 11, will be used as space permits; materials submitted later might not get in.

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**Basic info:**
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**Abbreviations for locations:**
**AADL**—Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. **AH-A**—Angell Hall Auditorium A. **Canterbury**—Canterbury House, 721 E. Huron. **Chelsea**—Chelsea Depot, Jackson at Main St., Chelsea. **Chrysler**—Chrysler Center Auditorium, 2121 Bonisteel Blvd., North Campus. **EQ**—Room 126 East Quad, East University at Hill. **German House**—603 Oxford at Geddes Ave. **Hillel**—Green Auditorium, Hillel Foundation, 1429 Hill St. **IWW**—International Workers of the World headquarters, 103 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. **Lorch**—Lorch Hall (Old Architecture Building), Tappan at Monroe. **Mich.**—Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty. **MLB**—Modern Languages Building, E. Washington at Thayer. **Nat. Sci.**—Natural Science Building, 830 North University at Thayer. **U-CLUB**—Michigan Union U-Club, 530 S. State.

★ *Denotes no admission charge.*

**WARNING!** To save space, many recurrent events are noted only the first time they occur. This includes many weekly and biweekly events. To find a full list of events for the last Wednesday in the month, for example, readers should also check earlier Wednesday listings, especially the first Wednesday.

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Novelist John Barth, April 21.

"PopACTION," April 3 & 4.

# CALENDAR

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**91** CHILDREN OF SCORE
*Strange and beautiful music* — *Jim Leonard*

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*The Woods*, April 9–12 & 16–18.

*The Merchant of Venice*, April 16–19 & 23–26.

## 1 WEDNESDAY

**Spring Tree Sale: Washtenaw County Soil Conservation District.** *April 1–24 (while supplies last).* Orders being taken for a wide variety of seedling evergreens, including pine, spruce, and fir trees. Trees are distributed April 24 & 25 at the Farm Council Grounds. *8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Soil Conservation District office, 7203 Jackson Rd. Prices vary. 761–6721.*

**Robert Conway: Society for Musical Arts.** This accomplished local pianist, known for his role in the Cassini Ensemble, among other groups, performs works by Beethoven, Carter, and Ravel. Optional lunch with the artist after the performance. *10:30 a.m., Ann Arbor Women's City Club, 1830 Washtenaw. Concert: $9 (second ticket, $7; students, $5) in advance and at the door. Lunch: $9.50 by reservation. For ticket information, call Rosalie Edwards at 665–7408 or Penny Fischer at 930–0353. For lunch reservations, call 662–3279.*

**Noon Lecture Series: Kempf House Center for Local History.** *Every Wednesday.* A series of slide-illustrated talks on local history by area experts. Today: Tracy Miller discusses **"Finding Our Foundations at Cobblestone Farm."** Also this month: Grace Shackman talks about **"The Alden Dow Houses of Ann Arbor"** (April 8), Russell Bidlack tells the story of **"Dr. Caleb Ormsby and the California Gold Rush"** (April 15), Fred Mayer discusses **"The U-M President's House"** (April 22), and Jan Bellamy-Genee looks at architectural styles **"From Palladio to Greek Revival"** (April 29). *Noon–1 p.m., Kempf House, 312 S. Division. Admission $2 (Kempf House members, $1). 994–4898.*

**★"Totally Tasteless Garden Art": U-M North Campus Arts & Programming.** April Fools' Day exhibit and sale of pink flamingos, gnomes, garden fannies, and other tacky lawn ornaments. Live music and entertainment. *Noon, U-M Pierpont Commons, corner of Bonisteel and Murfin, North Campus. Free admission. 764–7544.*

**★Brown Bag Lecture: U-M Center for Russian and East European Studies.** *April 1 & 8.* Talks by U-M and visiting scholars. Bring a bag lunch. Today: **"Between Worlds, Between Words,"** a talk on translation by former *New York Times Book Review* editor Eva Hoffman, the critically acclaimed author of such works as *Lost in Translation, Exit into History: A Journey Through the New Eastern Europe,* and the recently published *Shtetl: The Life and Death of a Small Town and the World of the Polish Jews.* Also this month: University of Illinois–Chicago political science professor Rasma Karlins discusses **"Ethnopluralism: Panacea for East Central Europe"** (April 8). *Noon, U-M School of Social Work Bldg., 1080 South University. Free. 764–0351.*

**Wednesday Cooking Class: Kitchen Port.** *Every Wednesday.* Cooking demonstrations by local culinary experts. Today: Jill Lewis, owner of The Inn at Southwest presents **"No Foolin'—Desserts for Breakfast."** Also this month: local cookbook author Lizzie Burt discusses **"Stir Frys"** (April 8), The Pastry Cart's Barbara Steer tells how to make low-cost pastries in **"A Sweet Tax Break"** (April 15), West End Grill chef Siamak Jalala and owner Roland Pohlman demonstrate **"West End Grill Menu Items"** (April 22), and former Diamondhead Cafe owner Shirley Parola discusses **"Flavors of Hawaii"** (April 29). *Noon–1 p.m., Kitchen Port (Kerrytown). $5 (5 classes for $20) includes coffee, taste samples, and recipes. 665–9188.*

**★ArtVideos: U-M Museum of Art.** *Every Wednesday and Thursday.* A series of video documentaries about art and art history. Today and tomorrow: **"The Hidden Side of Cards: Georges De La Tour's *The Cheat and the Ace of Diamonds.*"** Also this month: **"High Yellow Note: Van Gogh's *The Bedroom at Arles*"** (April 8 & 9); **"The Texture of Light: Jan Vermeer's *The Astronomer*"** (April 15 & 16); **"Toulouse-Lautrec's *Decoration of the Booth for La Goulue*"** (April 22 & 23); and **"Miracle in the Loggie: Jan van Eyck's *Madonna with Chancellor Rolin*"** (April 29 & 30). *12:10 p.m. (Wednesdays) & 7:30 p.m. (Thursdays), UMMA audiovisual room, 525 S. State at South University. Free. 764–0395.*

**★Lenten Lunchtime Organ Recital Series: American Guild of Organists.** *April 1 & 8.* Last two in a series of 6 afternoon recitals by area organists. Today: EMU organ students to be announced. *12:15 p.m., First Congregational Church, S. State at William. Free. 930–9940.*

**"Art of Palestine": ArtVentures Studio (Ann Arbor Art Center).** *Daily (except Mondays).* Children and parents are invited to make art projects associated with Palestinian culture. *1–6 p.m. (Tues.–Thurs.), 1–9 p.m. (Fri.), 10 a.m.–6 p.m. (Sat.), noon–5 p.m. (Sun.), Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty. Admission $4 per hour (for a maximum of 2 hours). Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Adults assisting a child admitted free. Free admission the first Sunday of each month. 994–8004.*

**★U-M Baseball vs. Detroit.** *3 p.m., Ray Fisher Stadium. Free. 764–0247.*

**★Patrick Dougherty: U-M Environmental Theme Semester.** *See review, p. 65.* This internationally recognized installation artist gives a slide lecture on his work and discusses his upcoming work on the U-M Diag, where he will create a large, site-specific sculpture using saplings and branches

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harvested locally. Also, Dougherty speaks April 9 in 126 East Quad at 8 p.m. *4 p.m., U-M Art & Architecture Auditorium (room 2104), 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., North Campus. Free. 764–1300, 647–1122.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Ann Arbor Toastmasters Club.** *Every Wednesday.* Members give speeches and are critiqued by their audience. *Note:* Different Toastmasters chapters meet every Monday & Thursday (see listings). *6:15–7:45 p.m., Concordia College Manor, 4090 Geddes Rd. Free to visitors. Dues: $24 semiannually. 995–7351.*

★**"Awareness Through Movement: The Feldenkrais Method": Movement Learning Systems.** *Every Wednesday and Saturday.* Local Feldenkrais instructor Jesse Nichols leads an introduction to this technique to improve ease of movement and enhance cognition. Wear loose, comfortable clothing. *6:30 p.m. (Wednesdays), 10 a.m. (Saturdays), Ann Arbor Movement Learning Center, 3610 W. Liberty. First class free; preregistration required. 913–1072.*

★**Drop-in Storytimes: Ann Arbor District Library.** *Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.* Stories, songs, and finger plays for preschoolers age 3 and up. An adult must be present in the library but need not attend. This week's topic: **"Our Family."** Also, this month: **"Frogs & Turtles"** (April 7–9), **"Insects"** (April 14–16), **"Rabbits"** (April 21–23), and a topic to be announced (April 28–30). *6:30–7 p.m. (Wednesdays), 10:30–11 a.m. (Thursdays), & 4–4:30 p.m. (Tuesdays), Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–8301.*

**Weekly Meeting: Ann Arbor Bridge Club.** *Every Wednesday.* Each two-person team plays two or three hands against a dozen or so other pairs during the evening. Players at all levels welcome. If you plan to come without a partner, call in advance or arrive 20 minutes early to arrange for one. *7–11 p.m., Walden Hills Clubhouse, 2114 Pauline at Maple. (Park on the north side of Pauline.) $3 per person. 971–7530.*

★**"Children's Story Time": Barnes & Noble.** *Every Wednesday & Thursday.* Barnes & Noble staffers present storytelling programs and craft activities for kids ages 4–9 (Wednesdays) and for preschoolers (Thursdays). This week: David McPhail's ***Tinker and Tom and the Star Baby.*** Other topics this month: **"Bunny Stories"** (April 8 & 9), **"Flowers and Gardens"** (April 15 & 16), **"G'Day from Down Under"** (April 22 & 23), and **"Frogs, Snakes, & Lizards"** (April 29 & 30). *7 p.m. (Wednesdays) & 11 a.m. (Thursdays), Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

★**Transcendental Meditation Introductory Session: Maharishi Vedic School.** *Every Wednesday.* Introduction to a simple, natural meditation technique for creativity, happiness, and fulfillment. *7 p.m, 2574 Old Boston Ct. Free. 996–8686.*

★**African-American Book Reading Club: Little Professor.** All invited to discuss a book to be announced. *7–8 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. For information, call Veleria Banks at (734) 942–6013.*

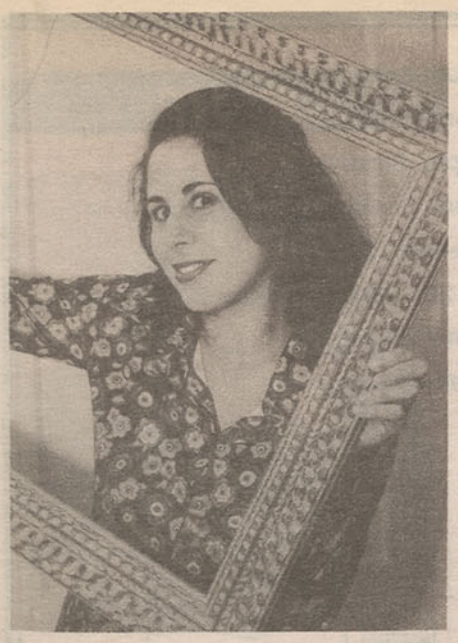
★**"Talmud for Those Who Wouldn't Know the Talmud If They Walked into It on the Diag": Hillel.** *April 1, 8, & 15.* Rabbi Rich Kirschen introduces the Talmud, with a focus on Tractate Ketubot (texts about women and marriage), using the Seinsaltz English edition. *7:15–8:15 p.m., Hillel, 1429 Hill St. Free. 769–0500.*

★**Informational Meeting: Great Lakes Literary Alliance.** All invited to learn about this new local organization that is developing a reading series (see 29 Wednesday listing) and workshops for writers seeking grant money. Long-range plans include a literary journal. Refreshments *7:30 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**"Christian Science Testimony Meeting": First Church of Christ, Scientist.** *Every Wednesday.* The church's lay reader reads different selections each week from the Bible and Mary Baker Eddy's *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.* Followed by testimony of Christian Science healing by congregation members. All invited. *7:30–8:30 p.m., First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1833 Washtenaw. Free. 662–1694.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Computer Society.** Speaker and topic to be announced. *7:30–9:30 p.m., 1200 U-M Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences Bldg., 1301 Beal, North Campus. Free. For information, use E-mail (aacs-info@msen.com), the Web (www.computersociety.org), or call 668–1982.*

★**"Cover to Cover": Ann Arbor District Library.** Book discussion group led by AADL staff focusing on popular books and authors. Tonight: ***Pigs in Heaven,*** Barbara Kingsolver's humorous, touching



**Performance poet Decky Alexander is among the artists appearing in "Art on the Fridge," a festival of theater, monologue, storytelling, and more by some of the area's most creative and playful performers, April 3 & 4 at People Dancing Studio.**

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novel about a Cherokee girl and her adoptive mother who take flight across Middle America. *7:30–8:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library lower-level Muehlig Room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Preregistration required. 327–4560.*

**★Biweekly Meeting: Scandinavian Folk Music Group.** All musicians invited to join this group to perform Scandinavian folk tunes. The group's leader, fiddler Bruce Sagan, teaches new tunes at each meeting. Newcomers welcome. *8 p.m., 1404 White St. Free. 327–3636.*

**Daniel Goldhagen: Michael Bernstein Memorial Lecture (Hillel).** Talk by this Harvard University government professor, author of *Hitler's Willing Executioners,* the controversial 1996 book that argues that many ordinary German citizens, not just sadists and the Nazi elite, helped perpetrate the atrocities against Jews under Hitler. In conjunction with the annual Conference on the Holocaust. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Tickets $5 (students, free) in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office or Hillel, and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"Totally Unrehearsed Theater": Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** *Every Wednesday.* An evening of improvisational comedy with this acclaimed 5-member Detroit-based improv troupe whose shows also include some scripted skits and stand-up comedy. Named "Best Local Comedians" in the *Metro Times* 1997 Best of Detroit awards. Also, open mike performers. Alcohol served. *8:30 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $4 (students with ID, $2). 996–9080.*

FILMS

**Goethe-Institut. "The Marriage of Maria Braun"** (R. W. Fassbinder, 1978). A penniless soldier's wife builds an industrial empire in postwar Germany. Hanna Schygulla. German, subtitles. FREE. AH-A, 7 p.m. **U-M Architecture Students Film Society. "Breathless"** (Jean-Luc Godard, 1959). Groundbreaking New Wave film about a gangster on the run. French, subtitles. FREE. Art & Architecture Auditorium, North Campus, 8:30 p.m. **U-M Michigan League. "Il Postino"** (Michael Radford, 1994). Video showing of this acclaimed drama about the friendship that develops between the exiled Chilean poet Pablo Neruda and his Italian postman. Italian, subtitles. FREE. Michigan League Underground, 8 p.m. **MTF. "Dial M for Murder"** (Alfred Hitchcock, 1954). Classic thriller. Ray Milland, Grace Kelly. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Guantanamera"** (Tomas Gutierrez Alea, 1996). *April 1 & 2.* Alea's last film is a delightful absurdist comedy—when an old woman's heart gives out after a romantic interlude, the task of transporting her body to Havana becomes both a bureaucratic comedy of errors and a surprising love story. Spanish, subtitles. Mich., 9:15 p.m.

## 2 THURSDAY

**★"Spring Unfolding Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Thursday.* Slow-paced ride, 10–15 miles, around Ann Arbor neighborhoods to explore the delights of local gardens, parks, and cafes. *10 a.m., Meet at Gallup Park Canoe Livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). Free. 971–5763, 662–7649, 913–9851.*

**"Spirituality and Meditation."** *Every Thursday.* All women invited to join this women's study and support group for discussions led by retired psychotherapist Ann Schoonmaker. Resource book is Susan Trott's *The Holy Man.* The April 16 program includes a participatory introduction to meditation led by **Sukha Murray,** resident priest at the Zen Buddhist Temple of Ann Arbor. *10 a.m.–noon, St. Clare's Episcopal Church/Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard. $1 donation to defray cost of room rental. 761–9044.*

**★Thursday Lunch Bunch: Jewish Community Center.** *Every Thursday.* A weekly program of activities primarily for seniors. The program begins at 10 a.m. with a lecture on a topic to be announced by U-M classics professor emeritus Gerda Seligson. At 11:30 a.m., **Current Events,** a discussion group led by nonagenarian Ben Bagdade. At 12:15 p.m., a homemade dairy lunch ($3 with reservation, $4 without reservation and for nonseniors). At 1 p.m., an educational or cultural presentation. This week: U-M Turner Geriatric Clinic social worker Ruth Campbell discusses **"Creativity in the Later Years."** Also this month: U-M public health professor emeritus Sylvia Hacker, a nationally renowned authority on human sexuality, discusses **"An Expanded View of Sexuality"** (April 9), Temple Beth El (Flint) cantor Aleksandr Chernyak discusses **"The Music of Spring and Passover"** (April 16), Project Star intern Hila Reichman leads a discussion of **"The Jewish Family Today"** (April 23), and Rabbi Robert Levy of Temple Beth Emeth discusses **"Israel at 50 Years"** (April 30). The weekly program concludes at 2 p.m. with **Senior Literary Group,** a book discussion group led by U-M Dearborn English professor emeritus Sidney Warschausky. All invited. *10 a.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. 971–0990.*

**"Perspectives on the Middle East": U-M Turner Geriatric Services Learning in Retirement Program.** First in a series of 6 weekly lectures by different scholars. Open to anyone age 55 & older. Today: U-M Center for Middle Eastern & North African Studies director Michael Bonner discusses **"Algeria."** Also in the series: U-M Near Eastern studies professor Kathryn Babayan discusses **"Iran"** (April 9), U-M law school visiting professor Jabbar al-Obeidi discusses **"Media Censorship in the Middle East: The Flow of Information & Its Regulation"** (April 16), U-M history professor Juan Cole discusses **"Nationalism in Modern Egypt"** (April 23), U-M political science professor Dongan Koyluoglu discusses **"The 1995 Elections in Turkey & Their Political Consequences"** (April 30), and EMU history professor Janice Terry discusses **"The Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Historical Perspective"** (May 7). *10 a.m., Kellogg Eye Center auditorium, 1000 Wall St. $30 (LIR members, $25) for the 6-lecture series. 764–2556.*

**★Wee Ones Storytimes: Magic Carpet Books & Wonders.** *Every Thursday & Saturday.* A half hour of stories and fun for kids ages 2–4 accompanied by a parent. *11 a.m., Magic Carpet, Lamp Post Plaza, 2345 E. Stadium. Free. 973–8757.*

**★"Elder Mistreatment: Research on the African-American Experience": U-M Interdisciplinary Research Program on Violence Across the Lifespan.** Talk by University of Southern California gerontology professor Donna Benton. *Noon, 1202 U-M School of Education Bldg., 610 East University. Free. 763–6415.*

**★"Japanese Americans at Midwestern Crossroads": U-M Center for Japanese Studies.** Talk by Valerie Yoshimura, president of the Detroit chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League. *Noon, 1636 School of Social Work Bldg., 1080 South University. Free. 764–6307.*

**Thursday Forum: First Presbyterian Church.** *Every Thursday.* Today: **"Dedication of the Memorial Honoring Women in Military Service of America, Built at the Entrance of Arlington Cemetery,"** a talk by Karen White, a retired U.S. Army Nurse Corps officer whose name is included on this memorial that was dedicated last October. Also this month: U-M dental school professor emeritus Albert Richards discusses **"The Beauty of Flowers Revealed Through 3-D X-Rays"** (April 9), Mayor Ingrid Sheldon presents an overview of city issues in a talk entitled **"East Side, West Side—All Around the Town"** (April 16), Sally Dunning of Arbor Hospice discusses **"Helping Children with the Death of a Loved One"** (April 23), and a final speaker and topic to be announced (April 30). All invited. *Note:* The Thursday forum is held at Westminster Presbyterian while First Presbyterian is re-


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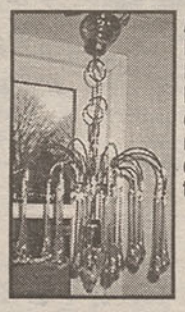

**ANTIQUE CENTER, NEW WINDSOR NY** – French tear drop hanging lamp circa 1950; nice mahogany server circa 1880; pine lift top desk.

**ASHLEY ANTIQUES, WESTFIELD MA** – 18th & 19th c. furniture & accessories including coin silver; paintings incl. portrait of a gentleman, prior Hamlin school, all original.

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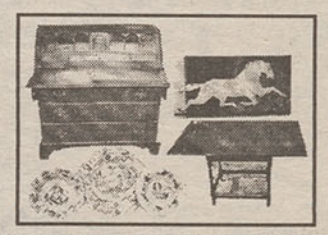
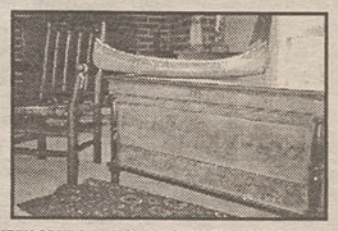


**HAROLD COLE & AUTUMN POND, WOODBURY CT** – Fine New England furn. & access. including Chippendale desk, orig. surface; NE tavern table 18th c.; good selection Delft, including Royalis chargers, Holland 1690-1720; running horse weathervane, American 19th c.

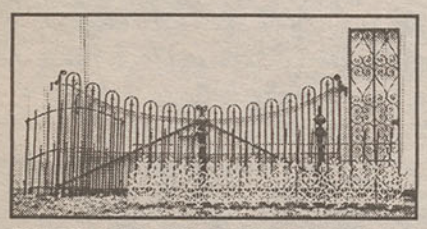
**THE COUNTRY GENTLEMEN, ANN ARBOR MI** – Circa 1820 red one door hanging cupboard w/ 3 shelves, great surface; mustard dough box on feet with lift-off lid found in PA; small Connecticut drop leaf table; large treen bowl on stand; early folky black doll in homespun dress; redware; Shaker sign "N.F. Shakers" (North Family Shakers), black lettering on brown board from Enfield, Connecticut; great Easter, Halloween, textiles, baskets, and much more.

**DONALD TOTH, BRECKSVILLE OH** – 18th & 19th c. furniture & accessories; original paint, including Chippendale blanket chest, Mass. & tall clock, circa 1785.

**DOG HILL ANTIQUES, MARSHALL MI** – 18th. &19th c. furniture & accessories, paint in original surfaces.



**HAWK'N SPURS ANTIQUES, ONTARIO CANADA** – Indiana old hickory chair, original (mint) condition; miniature 34" birchbark canoe circa 1940; Pennsylvania blanket box circa 1830, all original (overpaint removed).



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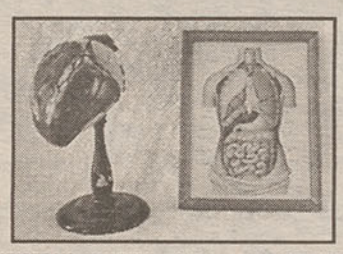
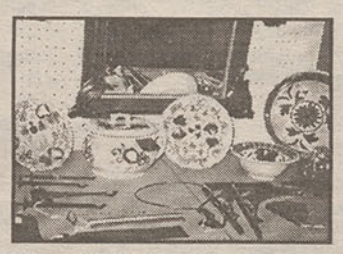


**KUCERA'S, WAYNE IL** – British smalls, 1800-1920, including medical heart model circa 1880.



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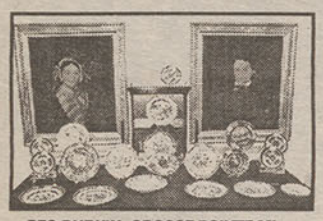

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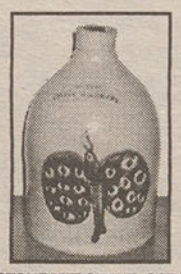

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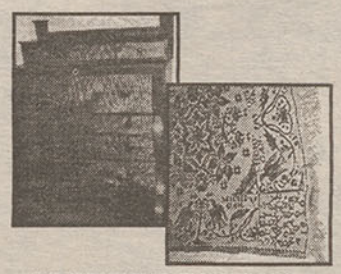

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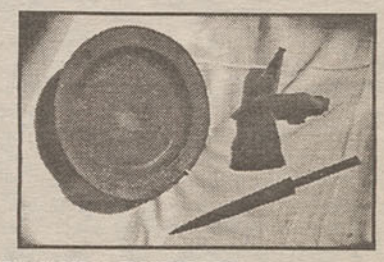

**THE MILBERGS, ELGINBERG ONT** – Arriving in April a collection of 18th-19th c. domestic & trade implements. Shown here are a late 18th c. cast iron plate; British 18th c. boarding axe; late 18th c. Hudson's Bay trade knife.

## comedy

### Suzanne Westenhoefer
### Uproarious

Once upon a time, cute, apple-cheeked, blond 'n' blue Lancaster, Pennsylvania–born daughters dreamt of becoming movie stars, then grew up, got married, and raised babies. It may still happen like this in some remote regions. But these days, there are also daughters like Suzanne Westenhoefer, who did, in fact, once dream of being a movie star, but now regularly pours herself into black leather, gets onstage, and makes lesbians scream—with laughter. Last time I caught her, at the Ark, Westenhoefer was in fine, fine form, exuberantly exploring the gamut of self and society.

After studying theater in a small college drama department where she received little encouragement, Westenhoefer headed to New York City for an illustrious career tending bar. A girlfriend, who appreciated the seemingly effortless and free-flowing stream of funny words that fell from Westenhoefer's mouth, signed her up for a comedy class. Soon she was working the town. When HBO came calling (she didn't even have to audition), she was more than ready to become the first out lesbian with her own comedy special.

Westenhoefer's done quite well, and it's no surprise because she's well-stocked in the comic's stock-in-trade: great stories and the skills to tell them. Being a lesbian is the dominant theme, but her artistry—timing, gesture, asides, flow, seeming spontaneity—transcends this and makes an evening in her company a surprisingly nonpartisan affair. Laughter was loud, and I suppose due to the gender of the audience (I saw not a Y chromosome in the place), rather high-pitched. Uproarious is also a good word. Her stories about her childhood, her family, and her relationships reveal a miraculous talent for detail, nuance, and utter irreverence. Westenhoefer peaked at the evening's three-quarter mark during a wonderful story about her starstruck young self, flush with early career successes, attending a K. D. Lang concert, where she was invited to sit in the front row—on Martina Navratilova's lap.

Suzanne Westenhoefer returns to the Ark, Friday, April 3.

*—Kate Conner-Ruben*

modeling. *Noon–1 p.m., Westminster Presbyterian, 1914 Greenview. $3.50 (includes buffet lunch). 662–4466.*

★**Gifts of Art: U-M Hospitals.** *Every Thursday.* A series of performances by area musicians. Today: U-M voice students **Nicholas Phan** and **Scott Lefurgy.** Also this month, singer Tiana Marquez, harpist Laurel Federbush, and pianist Marcia Federbush present **"Music for Spring"** (April 9), a performance by the U-M dance department's **freshman touring company** (April 16), 1940s jazz by the trio **Jazz Elegance** (April 23), and a collage art demonstration by **Janice Stevens Botsford** (April 30). *12:10 p.m., University Hospital 1st-floor lobby, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (off Fuller). Free. 936–ARTS.*

★**"Open Bake": Brewbakers.** *Every Thursday.* All invited to cut, knead, and shape dough into Panophile, Mont Blanc, and baguette, and learn the art of French "artisanal" baking. Bring your own ready-to-bake loaves to bake in Brewbakers steam-injected brick oven, or work with Brewbakers dough. *2 p.m., Brewbakers, 410 N. Fourth Ave. (below Workbench), Kerrytown. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 327–0772.*

★**"Access Soapbox": Ann Arbor Community Television Network.** *Every Thursday.* A chance to express your views, discuss your activities, or announce upcoming events on the local public access station (cable channel 9). Participants are free to talk about anything they wish within CTN guidelines: no direct solicitation of funds, no lottery information, and no material that is obscene, defamatory, invasive of personal privacy, or infringing on copyrights or trademarks. Limited to 5 minutes, each segment features one or two speakers (with no more than two graphics) who talk directly to the camera. Production crew provided by CTN. *Access Soapbox* shows are aired daily for one week, beginning on Sunday. *2–7 p.m., CTN studio, Edison Center, Suite LL114, 425 S. Main. Free. Reservations accepted Tuesday through Friday of the week preceding your appearance. 769–7422.*

★**"Investments in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Russia: Transaction Barriers and the Need for Market Intermediation in a Post-Soviet Economy": U-M Environmental Theme Semester.** Lecture by Eric Martinot, a senior scientist at the Stockholm Environmental Institute in Boston. *3 p.m., 2024 Dana Bldg., 430 East University. Free. 647–1122.*

**Chess Clubs: Adventures in Chess.** *Every Thursday.* A chance for young people age 17 & under (3:30–7:30 p.m.) and adults (7–11 p.m.) to play chess with their peers. Chess sets provided. *3:30–11 p.m., Adventures in Chess, 220 S. Main (below Main Street News). $3 (members, free). Memberships are $49 a year. 665–0612.*

★**"Hebrews of the Portuguese Nation: Conversos and Community in Early Modern Amsterdam": Shaman Drum Bookshop Publication Party.** Former U-M history professor Miriam Bodian is on hand to sign copies of her recently published book. Refreshments. *4–6 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**"Researching for Democracy": U-M Center for Learning Through Community Service.** Talk by University of Sussex (England) political sociologist John Gaventa. *4–5:30 p.m., Residential College East Quad Auditorium, 701 East University. Free. 647–7402.*

★**"Preventing Deadly Conflict: The Role of the Scientific Community": U-M Distinguished Research Policy Lecture Series.** Lecture by the renowned child development psychologist **David Hamburg,** currently cochair of the Carnegie Commission on Preventing Deadly Conflict. Followed by a panel discussion with U-M psychology professor emeritus Robert Kahn and others to be announced. The program concludes with a reception. *4 p.m., Rackham Assembly Hall (4th floor). Free. 936–2427.*

★**Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** *April 2, 3, & 6–9.* U-M voice students perform a variety of works. Today and tomorrow: Jacques Offenbach's one-act comic opera *The Lantern Marriage.* Also, scenes from assorted operas (April 6 & 8) and scenes from Mozart's *Cosi fan tutte* and Gounod's *Faust* (April 7 & 9). Directed by Joshua Major and Timothy Cheek. *5 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**"Perspectives Forum": First Baptist Church.** *April 2, 16, 23, & 30.* This family program includes a meal (5:50 p.m.) and a guest speaker (6:45 p.m.), with age-appropriate activities for infants and kids. This week: U-M carillonneur Margo Halsted discusses **"The Original Heavy Metal."** Also this month: First Baptist Church interim pastor Jim Middleton discusses a topic to be announced (April 16), U-M communications professor emeritus Edgar Willis directs a re-creation of Orson Welles's notorious radio drama ***War of the Worlds*** (April 23), and Nature Conservancy member Woodrow Kellum, an Ann Arbor native who now lives in Tipton, Michigan, discusses **"The Conflict Between Farm Land and Urban Sprawl"** (April 30). All invited. *5:50–7:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. The meal is $5 (kids, free); all other events are free. 663–9376.*

**Thursday Cooking Class: Kitchen Port.** *Every Thursday.* Cooking demonstrations by local culinary experts. Tonight: Jim Monahan demonstrates a **"Five-Course Vegetarian Meal."** Also this month: Kitchen Port's Connie Rosenthal shows how to make **"Passover Dishes"** (April 9), Al Dente chef Michael Rodak demonstrates **"Sauces"** (April 16), and Oak Pointe Country Club chef Mike Trombley shows how to cook with **"Wild Mushrooms, Leeks, and Spring Onions"** (April 23). *Note:* Also, Karl Johnson and Steve Haskin lead a class on **"Italian Wines"** at the Kerrytown Bistro on April 30 ($15 fee; preregistration required). *6:30–8:30 p.m., Kitchen Port (Kerrytown). $7 per class includes recipes, taste samples, and coffee. 665–9188.*

**"8th Annual Black/Jewish Freedom Seder": Washtenaw County Black/Jewish Coalition.** This annual family-oriented event, which usually draws as many as 200 people, features an original Haggadah (a book of prayer and readings) recounting the stories of the emancipation of the Jews from slavery in Egypt and African-Americans from slavery in the U.S. Activities also include an authentic Middle Eastern dinner, songs from both cultural traditions, and socializing. *6:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). $10 (family, $25). Reservations required. 971–0990.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Washtenaw Toastmasters.** *Every Thursday.* Members develop public-speaking skills in a supportive environment. A good opportunity to develop confidence in speaking publicly. *Note:* Different Toastmasters chapters meet Mondays and Wednesdays (see listings). *7–9 p.m., 777 Bldg. dining room, 777 E. Eisenhower at S. State. Free to visitors. Dues: $24 a year (after a onetime nonrefundable fee of $16). 747–8206, 484–7389.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge.** *April 2 & 16.* All women who have interrupted their careers to care for their children at home are welcome at these networking meetings. Tonight's topic: **"Lies Parents Tell Themselves About Why They Work."** Also this month: **open discussion and planning meeting** (April 16). *7–9 p.m., Genesis Foundation, Temple Beth Emeth/St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 2309 Packard. Free. For details, call Laura at 434–2402.*

★**"Introduction to Small Business Resources": Ann Arbor District Library.** Introduction to print, electronic, and Internet resources at the library for those starting or planning to start a business. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Conference Room A, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**"Sexuality and Spirituality: Exploring the Connections": Guild House Campus Ministry.** *Every Thursday.* Discussion group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender folks. *7–8 p.m., 802 Monroe at Oakland. Free. 662–5189.*

★**Elizabeth Streb: University Musical Society.** UMS education director Ben Johnson interviews this choreographer whose company performs "PopACTION" (see 3 Friday listing). *7 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Admission by free ticket only, available in advance at the UMS box office or by calling 764–2538.*

**"Kosher Wine Tasting": Jewish Community Center.** Dick Scheer of Village Corner discusses and offers samples of kosher wines from California to Israel. *7:30–8:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). $15 (JCC members, $10). 971–0990.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Smocking Group.** Informal "sit 'n' stitch" gathering for those interested in smocking, the English art of embroidering by gathering cloth in regularly spaced round tucks, and heirloom sewing. All invited. *7:30 p.m., location to be announced. Free. 663–7867.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Jaycees.** All people ages 21–39 are invited to join this organization devoted to promoting leadership training, community service, and individual development. Discussion topics to be announced. Newcomers welcome. *7:30 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Morris J. Lawrence Bldg., room 101, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 913–9629.*

★**Michael Connelly: Borders Books and Music.** This acclaimed L.A. mystery writer reads from his latest novel, *Blood Work,* the story of an FBI agent who discovers after he undergoes a heart transplant that the donor was murdered. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Weekly Meeting: Tartan & Thistle Scottish Country Dancers.** *Every Thursday.* Instruction for intermediate-level dancers in a wide range of traditional and contemporary Scottish dances, followed by social dancing. *7:30–9:30 p.m., the barn at*


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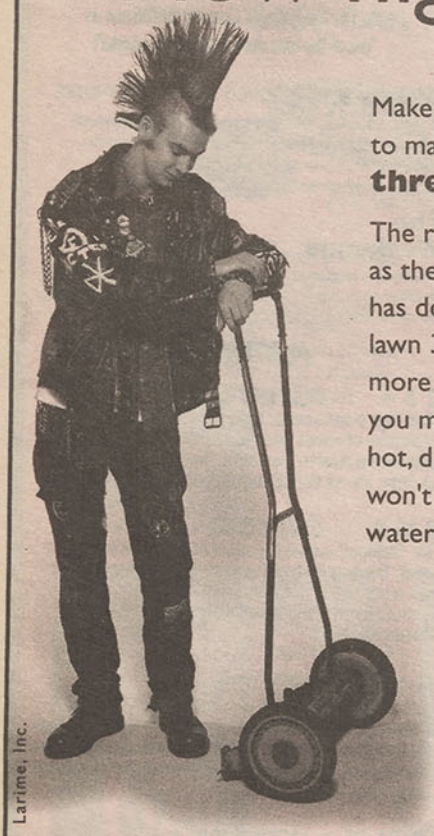

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★**Biweekly Meeting: Ann Arbor Ski Club.** *April 2, 16, & 30.* All invited to learn about the ski club's downhill and cross-country ski and snowboarding outings and other social activities. Nonmembers welcome. Must be 21 or older. *8 p.m., Schwaben Halle, 217 S. Ashley. Free. 761–3419.*

★**"Reclaiming the Soul in Academic Life": Canterbury House.** Last in a series of four lectures by U-M faculty. Tonight: classical studies professor Charles Witke and U-M gerontologist Andrew Achenbaum discuss **"Wisdom."** *8 p.m., Canterbury House, 721 E. Huron. Free. 665–0606.*

**"Open Jam": Griff's Jams.** *Every Thursday.* Musicians of all levels of ability invited to bring their instruments to the sound rooms formerly occupied by WPAG radio to meet other musicians, make music, and have fun. Bring sheet music to pass out. Organized by local musician and DJ Jim Griffin. *8–11 p.m., 106 E. Liberty (3rd floor). $2 suggested donation. 761–MUSIC.*

★**Campus Philharmonia Orchestra: U-M School of Music.** This U-M student orchestra performs works by Borodin, Debussy, Brahms, and Tchaikovsky. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**"Opera Nights": EMU Music Department.** *April 2 & 3.* Donald Hartmann directs EMU opera students in two one-act operas, Mozart's ***The Impresario,*** and Puccini's ***The Cloak.*** *8 p.m., EMU Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at E. Circle Dr., Ypsilanti. $5 at the door only. 487–2255.*

★**Jazz Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** Ellen Rowe directs this U-M student ensemble in classic and contemporary big-band jazz. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**"Ruddigore": U-M Gilbert & Sullivan Society.** *April 2–5.* David Zinn and Victoria Rondeau direct this polished town-and-gown company in Gilbert & Sullivan's wonderfully funny send-up of the conventions of 19th-century melodrama. Set in a fishing village on the coast of England, the story concerns a lonely aristocrat who suffers under his family's ancient curse: he must commit at least one atrocity a day or face a death of unspeakable agony. The problem is he's really a nice guy, with no stomach for dastardly deeds. The plot takes several delicious twists, including sudden switches of identity and romantic affections, ancestral portraits coming to life, and preposterous legal resolution (a favorite device with Gilbert, himself a failed lawyer). The score is one of Sullivan's best, but the work is seldom performed, mainly because the difficult special effects it calls for. Cast includes John Fitz-William, Amy Spencer, Gerald Aben, Kevin Casey, and Carolyn Space. Music director is Mitch Williams. *8 p.m., Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Michigan League. Tickets $12 & $14 (U-M students, $6), available in advance at the League Ticket Office. Discounts for seniors & children. Group discounts available for Thursday and Sunday performances. To charge by phone, call 764–0450.*

**James Keelaghan & Vance Gilbert: The Ark.** Singer-songwriter double bill. A Canadian singer-songwriter who has been compared favorably to Stan Rogers and John Gorka, Keelaghan is best known for the old-style ballad "Jenny Bryce" and other original ballads and lyrical songs on a wide range of historical themes, from Japanese-Canadians to the evacuation of Dunkirk to Chief Tecumseh. An evocative, passionate vocalist who sings in a deep, resounding baritone, he has released two acclaimed LPs. Gilbert is an African-American singer-songwriter from Cambridge, Massachusetts, who, according to *Boston Globe* reviewer Craig Harris, sings "in a soulful, Al Jarreau–like voice, accompanying himself with heavily syncopated acoustic guitar melodies." *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $12.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**BFA Thesis Concert: U-M Dance Department.** *April 2–4.* A concert of solo and group works choreographed by U-M dance seniors Missy Bischoff, Lindsey Dietz, Laurah Klepinger, and Laura Olesky. *8 p.m., U-M Media Union Video Studio, 2281 Bonisteel Blvd., North Campus. Tickets $5 at the door only. 763–5460.*

**"Finian's Rainbow": Washtenaw Community**

**College.** *April 2–5.* Judy Dow Rumelhart directs WCC students in this popular musical fantasy about an Irish dreamer and his beautiful daughter, who emigrate to America with a stolen crock of gold, pursued by a mischievous leprechaun. Assorted magical happenings unfold once the Irish characters arrive in the fictional Deep South state of Missitucky: a bigoted white politician is turned into a black man, a mute girl recovers her speech, and Finian's daughter falls in love with one of the locals. The delightful score includes such gems as "How Are Things In Glocka Morra?" "When I'm Not Near the Girl I Love," and "Look to the Rainbow." Musical director and producer is Ron Fracker. *8 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Towsley Auditorium, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Tickets $12 & $15 (students, $5 & $7) at the door or in advance by calling 677–5095.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** *Wednesdays through Sundays (except April 12) from April 2 through May 24.* The much-anticipated world premiere of this new drama by Pulitzer Prize–winning playwright **Lanford Wilson,** author of *The Hot l Baltimore* and *Talley's Folly.* Set in the small town of Dublin, Missouri, the plot unfolds after the town's leading citizen is killed on a hunting trip. As suspicion grows that the death may not have been accidental, the townspeople are divided and forced to examine their beliefs and loyalties. Purple Rose artistic director Guy Sanville directs a cast that includes Joseph Albright, Suzi Regan, Sandra Birch, Carey Crim, Randall Godwin, John Hawkinson, John Lepard, Michelle Mountain, Dennis North, Wayne David Parker, Jim Porterfield, and Lisa Sodman. The April 11 evening performance is a benefit ($500 per ticket). Purple Rose's shows generally sell out quickly, and demand is sure to be high for this play; call early for ticket reservations. *8 p.m., Garage Theater, 137 Park St., Chelsea. Preview tickets: $15 (Wed., Thurs., & Sun.) & $20 (Fri. & Sat.). Opening night (April 10): $30. Beginning April 15: $20 (Wed., Thurs., & Sun.) and $25 (Fri. & Sat.) in advance and at the door. To charge by phone, call 475–7902.*

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Professional Premiere Series.** *April 2–5 & 9–12.* World premiere of U-M drama professor Ari Roth's drama, based on a true story, about an American filmmaker's efforts to help a Russian Jewish "Refusenik" emigrate and rejoin his family. Directed by Nada Rakic, a former writer and director for both TV Sarajevo and Radio Sarajevo. Stars Tracy Komarmy and Leo McNamara, with Amy Kullenberg, Gary Carpenter, Shirley Benyas, Lindel Salow, David Blixt, and Tim Henning. *8 p.m., Performance Network, 408 W. Washington. Tickets $15 (students & seniors, $12; Thursdays, whatever you can afford to pay) in advance by reservation and at the door. For reservations, call 663–0681; to charge by phone, call 663–0696.*

**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** *April 2–5 & 9–12.* U-M drama professor Glenda Dickerson directs U-M drama students in an adaptation of Sophocles's classical tragedy about a woman destroyed by the conflict between family loyalty and honor and the demands of the state. Dickerson's version is set in the context of British colonialism in 1930s Kenya. *8 p.m., Trueblood Theater, Frieze Bldg., 105 S. State. Tickets $14 (students, $7) at the Michigan League Box Office in advance and at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–0450.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Shorinji Kempo.** *Every Thursday.* All invited to try this Japanese self-defense system, which combines hard and soft techniques with Zen philosophy. Club members also meet weekly for noncompetitive practice. *8:30–10 p.m., Dance Gallery Studio, 111 Third St. at W. Huron. Free to first-time visitors ($25 monthly dues). 332–1780.*

**Billy Ray Bauer: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** *April 2–4.* This dynamic Detroit jokester often draws his material from his experiences as the father of four boys. Preceded by two opening acts. Alcohol is served. *8:30 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $9 (Thursday) & $12 (Friday & Saturday) in advance and at the door. Group rates and other discounts available. 996–9080.*

**Steve Poltz: Prism Productions.** Solo acoustic performance by this young singer-songwriter, the former lead singer of the Rugburns who is best known as the coauthor of Jewel's "You Were Meant for Me," the longest-running hit in the history of the singles charts. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $6 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; $8 at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

**FILMS**

**MTF. "Guantanamera"** (Tomas Gutierrez Alea, 1996). See 1 Wednesday. Mich., 7 & 9:15 p.m.

## 3 FRIDAY

★**"The Hoboken Chicken Emergency": Ann Arbor District Library "Spring Break Movie Special."** Animated feature adaptation of D. Manus Pinkwater's popular children's book about Henrietta, a 266-pound chicken who wreaks havoc on the city of Hoboken and the Bobowicz family. *10 a.m. & 2 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 994–2345.*

★**"Preparing for Jubilee: 1998, The Year of the Holy Spirit and Hope":** This series of four weekly programs includes devotions, lectures, informal conversation, and faith sharing. It concludes today with **"Were Not Our Hearts Burning Within Us?"** a talk by Sister Ann Shields, Superior of the Servants of God's Love sisterhood in Lansing. Today's program is followed by a luncheon ($3 donation; reservations required). All invited. *10 a.m.–noon, St. Francis Catholic Church Parish Activities Center, 2250 E. Stadium. Free. 769–2550.*

★**"Tigers in Trouble: Southeast Asia's Financial Crisis": U-M Center for South and Southeast Asian Studies.** Talk by University of Malaya (Malaysia) business professor K. S. Jomo. *Noon, 1636 School of Social Work Bldg., 1080 South University. Free. 764–0352.*

★**"Violins in America": Washtenaw Community College "Brown Bag with the Classics" Series.** Violinist **Stephen Shipps** (a U-M music professor and concertmaster with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra) and local pianist **Michele Cooker** perform works to be announced. Bring a bag lunch. *Noon, Washtenaw Community College Morris J. Lawrence Bldg., room 150, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 973–3300.*

★**Brown Bag Lecture Series: U-M Center for Afroamerican and African Studies.** *April 3 & 10.* Today: U-M sociology grad students Patrice Dickerson and Robyn Hampton discuss **"Black Women in the Academy."** Also this month, U-M anthropology grad student Gina Ulysse talks about **"Bandaloo Business in the Streets?: Drug Trading and Its Impact on the Policing of Higglering"** (April 10). *Noon, CAAS seminar room, 109 West Hall, 550 East University. Free. 764–5513.*

★**"Textual Property and the Common Good": U-M Institute for the Humanities Brown Bag Lecture.** *April 3, 6, & 17.* Part of a series of 5 weekly lectures by U-M and visiting scholars. Today: Michigan Document Services owner James Smith discusses **"News from the Front: The Course-Pack Wars."** Also this month, U-M art history professor Beth Genne discusses **"Who Owns Dance?"** (April 6), and Smithsonian Folkways Recordings director Anthony Seeger (son of folksinger Pete Seeger) discusses **"Who Owns Traditional Music?: Ethics, Law, Class, Status, amd Intellectual Property Legislation."** (April 17). Bring a bag lunch. *Noon, 1524 Rackham. Free. 936–3518.*

★**Charles Menefee: U-M College of Architecture and Urban Planning Guido Binda Lecture.** Talk by this noted architect, a principal in Clark and Menefee Architects of Charlottesville, Virginia, and a University of Virginia architecture professor. An exhibit of Clark and Menefee's work is currently at the CAUP college gallery. *Noon, U-M Art & Architecture Auditorium (room 2104), 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., North Campus. Free. 764–1300.*

**Builders Home and Improvement Show: Home Builders Association of Washtenaw County.** *April 3–5.* More than 200 area exhibitors display and demonstrate products and offer information on services for the home, from remodeling to landscaping to energy efficiency. *3–9 p.m. (April 3), 10 a.m.–9 p.m. (April 4), 10 a.m.–5 p.m. (April 5), Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. Admission $5 (children 16 & under, free). Free parking. 996–0100.*

★**"Preserving and Redefining Traditions": U-M School of Music/Michigan Chinese Society of Liberal Arts, Science, and Technology.** Panel discussion on traditional and contemporary Chinese music with composers **Bright Sheng, Hwang-Long Pan,** and **Chihchum Chi-sun Lee,** followed by a performance by the **China Found Music Workshop,** a traditional Taiwanese music ensemble that also performs on April 5 (see listing). *3:30–5:30 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Basement Level 2F, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 332–0390.*

**20th Annual Lenten Fish Fry: Old St. Patrick's Church.** Fried Alaskan pollack, choice of potato, salad bar, and beverage. Desserts available for a nominal additional charge. *4:30–8:30 p.m., Old St. Pat's Church, 5671 Whitmore Lake Rd. at Northfield Church (3 miles north of Ann Arbor). $6 (se-*


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★**Environmental Education Forum: U-M Environmental Theme Semester.** *April 3 & 4.* Three distinguished environmental educators give talks and lead discussions. Speakers are Oberlin College environmental studies program chair **David Orr,** University of California–Davis English professor **David Robertson,** and University of Florida wildlife ecology professor **Susan Jacobsen.** All invited. *Afternoon and evening times to be announced (Saturday session is in the morning), Residential College East Quad Auditorium, 701 East University. Free. 647–1122, 763–0176.*

★**Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** See 2 Thursday. 5 p.m.

★**"Aquarium": Michigan Guild Gallery.** Opening reception for this exhibit of works in all media using aquatic imagery by Community High students. *6–8 p.m., Michigan Guild, 118 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 662–3382.*

★**"All a Twitter! Woodcock Walk": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner presents an indoor talk on this secretive bird, followed by a walk to try to observe it performing its annual courtship dance in the sky. *7 p.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration requested. 426–8211.*

★**Annual Meeting and Line Dance: People's Food Co-op.** The annual business meeting is followed at 8 p.m. by a smorgasbord of homemade desserts. Also, Nia Aguirre teaches and leads country and other line dances. No partner or experience nesessary. All invited. *7–9:30 p.m., Courthouse Square Apts., 100 S. Fourth Ave. at Huron. Free. Preregistration requested. 769–0095.*

★**Game Night: Magic Carpet Books & Wonders.** Parents and kids ages 3 and up invited to try out the store's wide stock of games. *7–8:30 p.m., Magic Carpet, Lamp Post Plaza, 2345 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 973–8757.*

**Dances of Universal Peace (Sufi Dancing).** *April 3 & 17.* All invited to join in simple dancing to chants and songs from various spiritual and religious traditions. Beginners welcome. *7–9 p.m., Ann Arbor Friends Meetinghouse, 1420 Hill St. $5 requested donation. For information, call Majid at (517) 381–0126 or Siddiq and Majida at 996–1332.*

**"Rip Van Winkle" and "Rumpelstiltskin": Young Actors Guild.** *April 3 & 4.* Christina Albright directs a cast of young actors in two short plays adapted from these famous fairy tales. *7 p.m., Haisley School, 825 Duncan. Tickets $7 (children under 12, $5). Group discounts available. For reservations, call 930–1614.*

**"Melody on Ice Rocks!": 56th Annual Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club Show.** *April 3–5.* This popular annual show features a performance by national champion **Dan Hollander.** Also, skating demonstrations by more than 300 talented young area skaters, from beginners to advanced, in solo acts, small groups, and precision numbers. Skaters perform this year to rock 'n' roll oldies. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor Ice Cube, 2121 Oak Valley Dr. (off Scio Church Rd. behind the Oak Valley shopping center). Tickets $7 (children 10 & under, $5) in advance and at the door. 213–6768.*

**Weekly Meeting: U-M Duplicate Bridge Club.** *Every Friday.* All invited to play this tournament form of contract bridge in which identical hands are played by every table in order to compare individual scores. *7:30 p.m., Michigan Union Tap Room. $2 (students, $1). 996–1433.*

★**Leah McKelvey: William Gene Patrick Window Gallery.** Opening reception for this local artist's multimedia exhibit of oil pastel drawings, beadwork, weaving, writing, and more depicting the goddess of fertility and the garden of Eden. *7:30–9:30 p.m., William Gene Patrick Window Gallery, 14 N. Washington, Ypsilanti. Free. 483–0183.*

**Suzanne Westenhoefer: The Ark.** *See review, p. 61.* Very popular lesbian comedian whose engaging personality and bright, agile, adventurous observational humor and social commentary have made her popular with all audiences. A frequent guest on cable TV shows, she also has hosted her own HBO special. *7:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $17.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**Empatheater: Kerrytown Concert House.** This lo-

## Brushes with nature

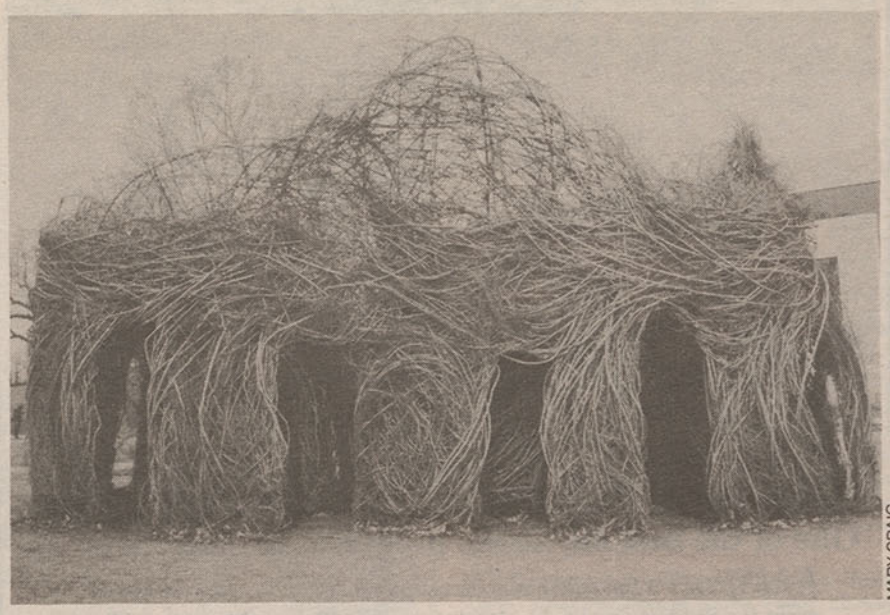
### Patrick Dougherty's sapling sculpture

Anyone passing the northwest end of the Diag this month will notice something new at the corner of State and North University: a heap of tree trunks and branches slowly growing into a freestanding structure over a period of weeks. It's the latest project by Patrick Dougherty, an internationally recognized sculptor who uses natural materials, primarily sapling trees, to create appealing, often whimsical structures.

A native of North Carolina with no formal art training (he was a hospital administrator for years), Dougherty, fifty-two, began crafting his temporary outdoor sculptures in the mid-1980s. He now spends most of the year traveling from place to place, making as many as eight or ten pieces a year. His technique recalls the way birds and other animals build their nests and lairs, weaving and knitting twigs and branches together.

Like animal dwellings, Dougherty's site-specific sculptures are determined by their surroundings. *Crossing Over,* a piece installed at the America Craft Museum in New York City, is a bulging cocoon-like structure cradled in the curve of a spiral staircase. The delightful *Family Trees,* situated in a wooded area in Katonah, New York, features a series of spiral structures leaning against trees, with branches like arms wrapped possessively around the trunks.

Reached by phone at the site of his latest project, in Savannah, Dougherty could not say exactly what his Diag sculpture will look like, although he expects it will be similar to his recent freestanding piece in Kalamazoo (photo), which visitors can enter and walk through and around. The Ann Arbor structure will probably measure about twenty feet by forty feet and stand about twenty feet tall.



MARY CRAIG

***Standing Room Only,* Kalamazoo.**

He cheerfully acknowledges that working outside in plain view of passersby, he's a "sitting duck" for criticism, especially because his audience may not immediately appreciate what he's doing. "Initially the neighbors don't meet your eye," he says. "They think you're making a big mess." There's also the problem of people feeling intimidated by art's "snooty" reputation, wondering, as Dougherty puts it, "if this piece is supposed to be better than I am." He's found that by being open and friendly, he usually wins people over during the building process. He's delighted that his U-M visit is tied into the university's Environmental Theme Semester, bringing together many different disciplines and, with luck, encouraging community discussion.

Dougherty gives slide-illustrated talks on his work at the U-M Art School on April 1, and the Residential College on April 9. Construction will continue daily through April 17, and the public is invited to help (call 764–5123 to volunteer). When it's done, the piece will probably remain standing for about a year before it falls apart. For Dougherty, the process is the most important aspect of his work. "I never worry about art history," he says. "A lot of times when I'm done with the piece, I'm tired of it. Of course, for the viewer, the work is just beginning."

*—Jennifer Dix*

### New exhibits this month:

**Ann Arbor District Library.** *Telling Tales: Children's Book Illustrations* (April 1–30). *The Art of Bookbinding* (April 1–30). *The Inuit: People of the Arctic* (April 1–30). 327–4510.

**Kerrytown Concert House.** *Ann Arbor Art Teachers Exhibit* (April 1–30). 769–2999.

**Michigan Union.** *The Palestinian Experience: 1948–1998* (March 29–April 18). 764–7544.

**William Gene Patrick Window Gallery.** *Leah McKelvey* (April 3–28). See 3 Friday. 483–0183.

**16 Hands.** *Re* (April 17–May 15). See 17 Friday. 761–1110.

**Clare Spitler Works of Art.** *City Revisited: Rolf Wojciechowski and Judith Jacobs* (April 5–May 26). See 5 Sunday. 662–8914.

**U-M Clements Library.** *Manuscript Treasures of the Clements* (April 1–May 31). 764–2347.

**U-M College Gallery (College of Architecture and Urban Planning).** *Clark and Menefee Architects* (April 3–25). See 3 Friday. 764–1300.

**U-M Media Union.** *Rescue: Sculpture, Paintings, and Drawings by Randall Veilleux* (April 7–17). 647–5275.

**U-M Museum of Art.** *Chinese Ceramics* (April 5–August 9). 764–0395.

**U-M Rackham Galleries.** *Prints by Ryan Higa, Mixed Media and Ceramics by Sandra Westley* (April 9–16). *Paintings by Sarah McKenzie, Photos and Interactive Sculpture by Don Brown* (April 18–24). 998–6270.

**U-M Slusser Gallery.** *M.F.A. Works-in-Progress Exhibition* (March 31–April 11). 763–4417.

*For a complete listing of local galleries, see the 1997–1998 Ann Arbor Observer City Guide or www.arborweb.com.*

cal theater group directed by psychologist Sara Schreiber invites audience members to write down their concerns and life situations, which the actors then use as a basis for improvisation. Schreiber describes the process as "a combination of psychodrama, improvisational theater, and drama therapy." *7:30 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10 & $12 (students, $7) at the door. 769–2999.*

★**"An Evening of Sufi Chanting, Meditation, and Association": Haqqani Foundation.** *Every Friday.* All invited to join a program of chanting and meditation based on the traditional Naqshbandi spiritual path as taught by Grandshaykh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, a Sufi master who lives in Cyprus. *8–10 p.m., Guild House, 802 Monroe at Oakland. Free. 665–2670.*

**"Drum Circle."** *Every Friday.* All invited to come and play percussion instruments (hand percussion only; no snare drums or cymbals) and learn rhythms. *8–10 p.m., Gallup Park meeting room (next to the canoe livery), 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). $2 donation.*

**"Texas Line Dancing": Child Care Network 3rd Annual Fund-Raiser.** Local dance teacher Tomas Chavez leads guests in this enjoyably folksy dance style. Also, a silent auction of items donated by local businesses. Southwestern cuisine served. *8 p.m., Cobblestone Farm, 2871 Packard. $30 in advance, $35 at the door. 975–1840.*

**First Friday Square and Contra Dance.** Dancing to live music by Licketysplit, with local callers John Freeman and John Walker. All dances taught; beginners and older children welcome. No partner necessary. *8–11 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $6 (children, $3) at the door. 665–8405.*

**"Film Farm II": M-Flicks.** A program of original short videos and movies by U-M students. The audience votes for their favorites in 4 categories, and trophies ("The Bessies") are awarded. *8 p.m., U-M Natural Science Bldg. Auditorium (2nd floor), 830 North University at Thayer. $2 at the door. 763–1107.*

★**"Meet the Artist Night": Fourth Avenue Gallery.** *Every Friday.* Area photographers and painters whose work is displayed at the gallery are on hand to chat with visitors. Refreshments. Live entertainment every week by **Bob Skon,** a smooth-voiced local singer-songwriter, and by other area performers. Also, an **open mike.** *8 p.m., Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. Free. (888) 834–4ART.*

★**Wind Ensembles: U-M School of Music.** Wind players from the U-M symphony and concert bands perform works to be announced. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**Sojourn: Green Wood Coffee House Series (First United Methodist Church).** An eclectic mix of folk, blues, and bluegrass by this local all-female trio known for their close vocal harmonies. Coffee, snacks. *8 p.m., FUMC Green Wood Church, 1001 Green Rd. at Glazier Way. $8 at the door only. 662–4535, 665–8558.*

**"Language Is My Friend": Tongue in Teeth Productions.** *April 3 & 4.* Local performance artist **Jeffrey Steiger** reprises his acclaimed one-man multimedia show, a collage of narrative, slides, and music exploring the relationship between humans and the language they use—and that uses them. *8 p.m., Community High School Craft Theater, 401 N. Division. (Parking available in the lot behind the school off N. Fifth Ave. at Detroit St.) $6 at the door only. 484–3473.*

**"Art on the Fridge: 2 Nites of Performance Art": People Dancing Studio.** *April 3 & 4.* A festival of "fridge art" ("cool with good things inside") by several of Ann Arbor's most talented and playful performance artists. Program: monologue-movement theater piece about midwives by singer-songwriter and choreographer **Whitley Setrakian;** "Yeah, I Was in the Cold War" and "Choice," two narrative portraits by EMU theater arts instructor and performance poet **Decky Alexander;** "Fine Ales—Served Here," a ribald exploration of the connection between beer and theater by actor-playwright **Malcolm Tulip;** a new punk marionette show by the **Gepetto Files;** "The Amazing Tuba Chairs," a popular per-

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**"PopACTION": Streb (University Musical Society).** *April 3 & 4.* Directed by choreographer and MacArthur "genius" grant recipient Elizabeth Streb, this company performs extremely strenuous, gravity-defying pieces that combine dance, circus acrobatics, and athletic feats. The dancers hurl themselves against walls, bounce on trampolines, and slide down ropes. "If you're not one of those wincing, you'll see in the work of Streb and her courageous dancers a redemptive vision of human daring and ingenuity," writes *Village Voice* critic Deborah Jowitt. The current program includes *Wall/Line,* in which 5 dancers fling their bodies against a vertical space; *Bounce,* performed on an 8-foot-square blue bouncing surface; *Little Ease,* a solo dance performed in a box; *Freeflight,* a series of aerial stunts; *Across,* which features a dancer harnessed into a giant 200-pound lever; and *Up,* a continuous sequence of dancers leaping down from a tower onto a trampoline and flying back up again. Company members chat with the audience following each performance. *8 p.m., Tickets $15–$35 in advance at Burton Tower and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–2538 or (800) 221–1229.*

**"Arm in Arm": EMU Theater of the Young.** *April 3–5.* EMU drama professor Pat Zimmmer directs the Metro Theater Company (St. Louis) musical adaptation of Remy Carlip's award-winning children's book. Aimed at theatergoers ages 5 & older. *8 p.m., Sponberg Theater, Ford St., EMU campus, Ypsilanti. (Take Huron River Dr. east to Lowell St. Take Lowell to Ford St. and turn right onto Ford. The theater is on the left, with parking on the right.) Tickets $5 (Thurs.) $10 (Fri. & Sat. evenings), $8 (Sat. & Sun. matinees) in advance; $7 (Thurs.), $12 (Fri. & Sat. evenings), $10 (Sat. & Sun. matinees) at the door. Group discounts available. 487–1221.*

**"Fame": All City Players.** *April 3–5.* A cast of 70 area high school students presents this musical about the lives of four ambitious high school students at New York's School for the Performing Arts. The All City Players were recently chosen to perform in the Ann Arbor Summer Festival's upcoming Youth Arts Showcase this June. *8 p.m., Power Center. Tickets $7 (students, $5) at the door or in advance by calling 665–7639.*

**"All in the Timing": The Rude Mechanicals (University Activities Center).** *April 3–5.* U-M students present this compilation of six edgy one-act comedies by David Ives, including ***Variations on the Death of Trotsky,*** wherein the late revolutionary muses on the afterlife and the mountaineer's ax embedded in his skull; and ***Words, Words, Words,*** in which three chimps (Milton, Kafka, and Swift) are issued typewriters and ordered to pound the keys until they re-create *Hamlet. 8 & 11 p.m., Michigan Union U-Club (1st floor). Tickets $6 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**BFA Thesis Concert: U-M Dance Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Opera Nights": EMU Music Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Ruddigore": U-M Gilbert & Sullivan Society.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Finian's Rainbow": Washtenaw Community College.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Professional Premiere Series.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

★**"Looking to the Next Millennium": Zwerdling Lecture Series (Beth Israel Congregation).** Several lectures by Beth Israel scholar-in-residence David Gordis. Tonight, Gordis addresses **"American Jewry: Triumph or Disaster?"** Also, Gordis speaks at Sabbath services tomorrow and gives a 1 p.m. lecture, **"Zionism, Israel, and World Jewry."** *8:15 p.m., Beth Israel Congregation, 2000 Washtenaw. Free. 663–5543.*

**Billy Ray Bauer: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 2 Thursday. 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.

**Friday Dance Jam: People Dancing Studio.** *April*

## films

### *Play Time*
### Eavesdropping

From beginning to graceful end, Jacques Tati's 1967 film *Play Time* is one of the most challenging, magnificent, and funny movies I have ever seen. This wonderful experiment in voyeurism never introduces us to any of the bourgeois sophisticates we watch; it simply follows them as they go through their petty and passionless, yet prettily playful routines.

The film begins with the first of many simple wide-angle shots, showing a hallway in an unidentified public building. As we watch people filter through this space, a feeling of unease comes over us. We notice the camera does not move. There are no main characters, no focus for our attention. Instead of conventional dialogue, we hear the sounds of people moving, footsteps, wheels on carts, coughing, babies crying, dogs whimpering, and the *whumping* of glass doors opening and closing. As Tati himself observed, wide-angle shots "show you several elements, characters and objects. It is up to the spectator to discover what there is to see."

"This is almost like cinema verité or a documentary," I said to Mary, my wife. The camera wasn't moving. It didn't pan or zoom, it just sat there, or cut to a reverse angle of the same shot. "It's more like watching a surveillance camera," she tartly corrected me.

She's right! We're watching people who don't seem to be actors, in a place that doesn't appear to be a set. (We only discover they're in an airport when a loud speaker announces an incoming flight.) When the camera follows a group of American women from the airport to their bus, the only dialogue is the fragmented noise we overhear in a crowded public space: "back in the ranks, girls," "I feel at home anywhere," and other random observations.

*Play Time,* which can be seen for free on the U-M campus on Wednesday, April 8, may well be the only comedy shot on 70 mm film, giving a mind-boggling clarity to the rhythmic ballet of wonderful little gags that fill every corner of the screen. Tati's graceful choreography of these busy, chaotic situations is absolute genius.

When the action moves to the opening night of an ultra-suave, hipster dinner club, sight gags roll over and over on the waves of sound created by an outstanding jazz combo. As the musical tempo escalates, half a dozen waiters season and marinate the same fish; the front door breaks and no one notices; part of the ceiling falls in, and some rich guy wants to purchase it as *art.* As the nightclub falls apart, the bourgeois hipsters party on. Tati playfully uses both the reflective and transparent qualities of glass to maximize the comic restlessness of the film's characters.

Though people speak in at least three different languages in the film, there are no subtitles. As in real life, you may feel somewhat like an eavesdropper.

*—Dan Moray*

*3 & 17.* Dancing to taped music, including world-beat, funk, rap, R&B, soul, alternative rock 'n' roll, new folk, and pop. Also, occasional live drumming. An alternative to the bar scene for people who love to dance. All are invited to bring cassette tapes and acoustic musical instruments. Smoke-free, no alcohol. Dance barefoot or bring dancing shoes. Come with or without a dance partner; children welcome. *10 p.m., People Dancing Studio, 111 Third St. (west entrance between Huron and Washington). $3. Wheelchair-accessible. 459–8136, 996–2405.*

**Corey Harris: Prism Productions.** This highly regarded young African-American acoustic blues singer-guitarist is known for his strikingly expressive voice and his commanding reinterpretations of traditional country blues by the likes of Charlie Patton, Robert Johnson, Mississippi Fred McDowell, and Memphis Minnie. His latest Alligator CD, *Fish Ain't Bitin',* also features several impressive originals in the traditional style. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $10 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; cover charge at the door to be announced. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

**FILMS**

**M-FLICKS. "Film Farm II"** (1998). See Events listing above. Nat. Sci., 8 p.m.

## 4 SATURDAY

**★"Sunrise Saturday Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Saturday.* Very slow-paced 22-mile ride to Dexter for breakfast. *Sunrise (consult the* Ann Arbor News *the Friday before each ride). Meet at Wheeler Park, N. Fourth Ave. at Depot St. Free. 665–6327, 913–9851.*

**"Your Care Package": 5th Annual Women's Health Conference (St. Joseph Mercy Hospital/ Saline Community Hospital).** Workshops on all aspects of women's health, including nutrition, depression, work, personal relationships, exercise, and more. Exhibits, health screenings, mini-massages, literature, and door prizes. Continental breakfast and lunch included. Keynote address by Atlanta-based motivational speaker **Shirley Garrett.** *8:15 a.m.–3:30 p.m., Ypsilanti Marriott, 1275 S. Huron at I-94, Ypsilanti. $35. Reservations suggested. 712–5946.*

**Annual Spring Open House: Nielsen's Flowers.** *April 4 & 5.* Hundreds of blooming plants and floral displays help to usher in spring at this appealing annual event. Refreshments, door prizes. *8:30 a.m.–6 p.m. (today), 10 a.m.–4 p.m. (Sunday), Nielsen's, 1021 Maiden Lane. Free. 994–6112.*

**★"Dexter Breakfast Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Saturday.* Slow-paced (22 mile) and moderate/fast-paced (29 to 70 mile) round-trip rides to the Dexter Bakery. A very popular ride. *Note:* Riders should be prepared to take care of themselves on all AABTS rides. Carry a water bottle, a spare tire or tube, a pump, change for a phone call, and snacks. *9 a.m. Meet at Wheeler Park, N. Fourth Ave. at Depot St. Free. For information about weekly breakfast rides, call 971–3610 (today's ride), 663–4498 (April 11), 994–3001 (April 18), & 663–5060 (April 25). For general information, call 913–9851.*

**★"Gardening": Ann Arbor District Library.** Washtenaw County urban horticulturist Wendy Cole displays some of her favorite "problem" plants and shows how to make them into well-behaved bloomers. Also, a tour of websites with gardening themes. *9–10 a.m., Ann Arbor District Library Northeast Branch, 2713 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth Mall. Free. 996–3180.*

**★"Life Support in an Era of Corporate Health Care": Gray Panthers of Huron Valley.** Showing of a video of a talk presented at the U-M in December by Suzanne Gordon, an award-winning journalist who writes about health care, nursing, and women's issues. Her books include *Life Support: Three Nurses on the Front Lines.* Gray Panthers is an intergenerational group dedicated to improving life for people of all ages. Refreshments. All invited. *10 a.m.–noon, Ann Arbor Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. Free. 769–7530.*

**★"Volunteer Stewardship Workday": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** *April 4 & 18.* All invited to help city parks Natural Area Preservation Division staff maintain the natural areas in various city parks. Today: A trip to **Scarlett Mitchell Park** to cut "burn corridors" for a prescribed burn later this spring. Bring work gloves. *10 a.m.–1 p.m., meet in Mitchell School parking lot off Lorraine. Free. 996–3266.*

**★"Collecting Creek Critters": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner leads a 30-minute hike to Huron Creek to search for aquatic animals. Participants can wade in the water or help look from the shore. *10 a.m., Hudson Mills Metropark maintenance bldg., 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration required. 426–8211.*

**★"Healthy Kids Day": Ann Arbor YMCA.** Sports and exercise class demonstrations, healthy snacks and nutrition games, face painting, fitness testing for kids, an obstacle course, and an **Easter egg hunt** (12:30 p.m.). Also, **"Wacky Water Games"** for kids 8 and older (11:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m.) and 7 and under (1:30–2:30 p.m.). *10 a.m.–2 p.m., Ann Arbor YMCA, 350 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 663–0536.*

**★"River Roundup" Community Stream Search: Huron River Watershed Council Adopt-a-Stream Program.** Experienced collectors lead volunteer teams in gathering samples of small animal life from area streams for a long-term study of the health of the Huron River system. No experience necessary. Interested children welcome when each is accompanied by an adult. Dress for the weather; be prepared for mud and poison ivy and bring your lunch and a pad for sitting on wet grass. *10 a.m.–4 p.m. Meet at the NEW Center conference room, 1100 N. Main. Free. Preregistration required. 769–5971.*

**★Bim Willow: Abbott's Landscape Nursery.** Bim Willow is the professional name of Laurence Schackow, a retired clown and mime who now runs a successful furniture business from his home in rural west Michigan. He visits town today to demonstrate how he makes whimsical chairs and sculptures from willow twigs and branches. *10 a.m.–4 p.m., University Flower Shop, Nickels Arcade. Free. 665–6037.*

**★"Arb Walk": Grex.** *Every Saturday.* All invited to join members of this local computer-conferencing group for a walk from Gallup Park through the U-M Arboretum. *10:15 a.m. Meet in Gallup Park parking lot, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). Free. 930–6564.*

**"The Stars of Spring"/"The People and Their Sky": U-M Exhibit Museum Planetarium.** *Every Saturday & Sunday.* "The Stars of Spring" (10:30 & 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 & 2:30 p.m.) is an audiovisual exploration of the astronomy and mythology of the stars and planets currently visible in the sky. "The People and Their Sky" (12:30 & 3:30 p.m.) is an audiovisual presentation of five African sky myths,


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**EVENTS** *continued*

narrated by members of the Detroit Storytellers Association and illustrated by U-M art students. *10:30 & 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Saturdays only) and 1:30, 2:30, & 3:30 p.m. (both days), U-M Exhibit Museum, North University at Geddes Ave. $3 (seniors & children 12 & under, $2.50). "The People and Their Sky" is not recommended for kids age 6 & under. 764–0478.*

**"Ice Out Paddle": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** All invited to canoe around the river at Gallup Park and enjoy a bowl of hot chili and a beverage. In conjunction with the reopening of the city's canoe liveries. *11 a.m.–3 p.m., Gallup Park canoe livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). $6 ($10 for two in one canoe). Preregistration required. 662–9319.*

★**Wee Ones Storytimes: Magic Carpet Books & Wonders.** *Every Saturday.* A half hour of stories and fun for kids ages 2–4 accompanied by a parent. *11 a.m., Magic Carpet, Lamp Post Plaza, 2345 E. Stadium. Free. 973–8757.*

★**"Children's Storytime": Little Professor Book Company.** *Every Saturday.* Storytellers Charles Lewis and Pam Crisovan, aka "Mama Moon," alternate weekly in presenting tales, crafts, and other activities for kids ages 4–10. Today: **"Bunnies."** Also this month: **"Seasonal Stories"** (April 11 & 25) and **"Japanese Stories"** (April 18). Also, **Peter Rabbit** visits on April 11 (noon). *11 a.m.–noon, Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. 662–4110.*

★**"Children's Hour": Borders Books and Music.** *Every Saturday.* Borders staff and guests read stories and lead activities for kids ages 4–10. Today: a visit from **Peter Rabbit.** Also this month: a storyteller to be announced (April 11), local children's author Marian Nelson reading from her book ***Priscilla's Patch*** (April 18), and **Earth Day Stories** (April 25). *11 a.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Draw Doubles: Ann Arbor Area Disc Induced Sports Club.** *Every Saturday.* All invited to play disc golf at Hudson Mills Metropark's 18-hole disc golf course. Beginners are paired with advanced players to create parity. Prizes. Golf discs available free from the Hudson Mills Metropark office. *11 a.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. $4 per player; free for spectators. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) 996–0212, 434–1615.*

**Monthly Meeting: Gays and Lesbians, Older and Wiser.** Potluck and social gathering for gays and lesbians age 50 and older. Bring a dish to pass. *11 a.m.–1 p.m., U-M Turner Geriatric Clinic, 1010 Wall St. $2. 764–2556.*

**"Harp Heaven": Kerrytown Concert House Croissant Concert.** U-M harp professor **Lynne Aspnes** directs her students in their own arrangments of classical and popular selections, including preludes and fugues by Bach, Smetana's *The Moldau,* Celtic music (with pennywhistles and Irish drums), and a rousing version of "The Victors." A popular annual tradition. Croissants, juice, and coffee served. *11 a.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $9 & $12. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**4th Annual "Fiberarts Feast": Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild.** Brunch and a juried fashion show of clothing, home fashions, and special fantasy costumes made by guild members. *11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn North Campus, 3600 Plymouth Rd. Tickets $17 in advance by calling Marion Marzolf at 761–5372.*

★**U-M Softball Doubleheader vs. Ohio State.** *April 4 (doubleheader) & 5 (single game).* The U-M team opens its home season with a doubleheader today and a single game tomorrow. Intercollegiate fast-pitch softball produces low-scoring, intensely competitive games, and the U-M team usually draws between 300 and 400 spectators. The U-M team, which has made 3 consecutive NCAA College World Series appearances, is currently (as of mid-March) ranked 2nd in the country. *1 p.m., Alumni Field (behind Ray Fisher Stadium), S. State at Hoover. Free. 764–0247.*

★**"Our Neighborhood Bats": Wild Birds Unlimited.** Slide-illustrated talk by representatives from the Organization for Bat Conservation, who also display live bats and discuss how to attract bats using bat houses. *1 & 3 p.m., Wild Birds Unlimited, Woodland Plaza, 2204 S. Main at Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. Free. Reservations required. 665–7427.*

★**"Field to Fen Floodplain Hike": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner leads a hike through field, fen, and floodplain to identify and discuss the kinds of plants (and look for signs of animals) found in each habitat. Wear boots. *2 p.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Pineview picnic area, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration required. 426–8211.*

★**"Riddle-rama": Magic Carpet Books & Wonders.** Kids of all ages are invited to bring their favorite riddles to share. *2 p.m., Magic Carpet, Lamp Post Plaza, 2345 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 973–8757.*

★**"Brewery Tour and Tasting": Brewbakers.** *Every Saturday.* All invited to tour this local microbrewery, learn how it makes Scotch Ale, German Helles, and other beers and ales, and taste some of the results. *2 p.m., Brewbakers, 410 N. Fourth Ave. (below Workbench), Kerrytown. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 327–0772.*

**All-Species Parade Mask-Making Workshop: National Wildlife Federation.** *April 4 & 18.* All invited to make animal masks and costumes to wear in the annual All-Species parade on April 26 (see listing). Children must be supervised by an adult. *3–4:30 p.m., Scrap Box, 581 State Circle (off S. State one block south of I-94). $5 for mask materials. (Additional costume materials available for sale.) Preregistration suggested. 668–9949.*

★**"Cups Voila!": Michigan Potters Association.** Sale of handmade cups made by local potters, and a raffle of cups donated by artists Suzanne Stephenson, Jeri Hollister, Elizabeth Lurie, and a sugar and creamer set from Pewabic Pottery. Proceeds to help fund an upcoming traveling ceramics exhibit. *3–7 p.m., Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington. Free. 747–9821.*

**"Rip Van Winkle" and "Rumpelstiltskin": Young Actors Guild.** See 3 Friday. 3 p.m.

**3rd Annual "Winter Thaw" Jazz Concert and Party: Community High School Jazz Program Fund-Raiser.** Music by the **Dean Solden Jazz Quartet,** a group led by Solden, a prominent pianist and composer from San Francisco who now lives in Ann Arbor. (His son, pianist Evan Katz, is a graduate of the Community High School jazz program.) The group performs tightly arranged jazz standards and Solden's original music, which spans the jazz continuum from haunting ballads to speeding bop to fusion, often featuring beautiful solos for the tenor saxophone. Followed by a **party** (5:15 p.m., The Workbench) with refreshments and music by CHS jazz students. *4 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $25 (students, $5) includes admission to concert and party. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**Family Chess Club: Adventures in Chess.** *Every Saturday.* Chess players of all ages and levels of ability invited. Includes a weekly ladder tournament. Chess sets provided. *5–10 p.m., Adventures in Chess, 220 S. Main (new location below Main Street News). $3 per week, or $49 annual membership. 665–0612.*

★**Interfaith Worship Service: Guild House Campus Ministry.** *Every Saturday.* The service begins with a Native American smudging, ends with a Sufi blessing, and includes a talk by Guild House minister Diane Christopherson on "Relational Metaphors for God." *5:30–6:30 p.m., 802 Monroe at Oakland. Free. 662–5189.*

★**"Elements."** Opening reception for a weeklong exhibit of jewelry and metalwork by U-M art students Dana Middaugh, Celibeth Donnelly, Marsha Rubinstein, Danielle Keller, and U-M alum Julie Bender. *6 p.m.–midnight, Noah's Underground Gallery, 117 E. Liberty. Free. 213–2151.*

**20th Annual Beau-Debutante Ball: Jack & Jill of America.** Several local African-American high school senior couples are presented at this formal ball, which includes music, a catered dinner, and dancing. Proceeds go to charity and Jack & Jill youth programs. *6 p.m. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 610 Hilton Blvd. (S. State at I-94). $40. For reservations, call Lori Blair at 973–7825.*

★**"Pursuing the Dream": 1998 Unity Rally for Racial Justice.** All invited to join a rally for racial equality and justice today on the 30th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. Residents are also encouraged to turn on their porch lights tonight in a show of support. Events include a gather and sing at Wheeler Park, followed by a candlelit procession through downtown Ann Arbor ending at the First United Methodist Church, where organizers offer a recreation of King's "Beyond Vietnam" speech, live music, and remarks by activist Mattie Jones. *6:30 p.m. (Wheeler Park gathering), 7 p.m. (speeches), First United Methodist Church, 120 S. State St. Free. 663–1870.*

**Duplicate Bridge: Burns Park Senior Center.** *Every Saturday.* All invited to play this tournament form of contract bridge in which identical hands are played by every table in order to compare individual scores. *7–10 p.m., Burns Park Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. $3 per pair. 668–2430, 975–9033.*

***Life in Refusal*, local playwright Ari Roth's drama about an American filmmaker who tries to help a Russian Jewish "Refusenik," continues its run April 2–5 & 9–12 at the Performance Network.**

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**"Melody on Ice Rocks!": 56th Annual Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club Show.** See 3 Friday. 7 p.m.

★**Patrick McGrath: Borders Books and Music.** This well-known suspense writer reads from his latest psychological thriller, *Asylum*, the story of a woman who joins her psychiatrist husband at a hospital for the criminally insane and falls under the spell of one of his patients. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Chris Smither: The Ark.** Veteran singer-songwriter best known for two songs Bonnie Raitt has made her own, "I Feel the Same" and "Love You Like a Man." But after 20 years as a more or less invisible songwriter, Smither has finally emerged as a solo performer. He's a wonderfully lyrical and expressive guitarist (Raitt calls him "my Eric Clapton") and an intense, enrapturing singer whose voice ranges from growling undertones to a keening falsetto. His repertoire also includes a wide array of covers, from Little Feat's "Rock 'n' Roll Doctor" to Blind Willie McTell's classic "Statesboro Blues." *7:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $11 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**Dexter Twirlers Square Dance Club.** *April 4 & 18.* With caller Glen Geer. All experienced dancers invited. Refreshments. *7:30–10:30 p.m., St. Andrew's United Church of Christ, 7610 Ann Arbor Rd. at Fourth St., Dexter. $7 (members, $6) per couple. 426–2746.*

**1st Saturday Contra Dance: Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance.** Joseph Pimentel and others call to music by Dave Orlin and friends. All welcome; no partner needed. Wear cool, casual clothes and flat, smooth-soled shoes for dancing. Also, all string band musicians invited to bring their instruments (and Ruffwater fake books) to a free jam session (4–6 p.m.). *8 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $6. 769–1052.*

★**Women's Glee Club: U-M School of Music.** Sandra Snow directs this U-M student chorus in a program to be announced. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**"Classical Music and Dance of India": Fourth Avenue Gallery.** Performance by tabla player Ajit Acharya, sarod player Matthew Rosen, and Odissi dancer Katherine Martineau. *8 p.m., Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. $5 (seniors & children 12 & under, free). 327–2041.*

**Jonathan Leathwood: Kerrytown Concert House.** This young British guitar virtuoso has won wide acclaim for his profound artistry and his innovative programming, which ranges from Bach to traditional Hispanic repertoire to large-scale music cycles and premieres of new compositions for both the 6-string and 10-string guitar. Fellow guitarist Ricardo Iznaolo suggests that "Jonathan Leathwood's extraordinary musicianship and skills are taking the instrument to artistic realms considered unreachable by the guitar world." *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10, $15, & $25. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**EMU Jazz Spectacular: EMU Music Department.** Performance by the **Couriers,** a popular local big band led by former Gene Krupa trombonist **Al Townsend** and featuring vocalist **Lynn Raglin.** Also, a performance by the EMU Jazz Ensemble. A benefit for the EMU jazz program. *8 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Tickets $10 (students & seniors, $8; EMU students, $5; groups of 20 or more, $4 each) in advance at the Quirk Auditorium Box Office and at the door. 487–1221.*

★**"Legacies": Hillel.** Reading of Rachel Urist's play about the Holocaust. *8 p.m., Hillel, 1429 Hill St. Free. 769–0500.*

**BFA Thesis Concert: U-M Dance Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"PopACTION": Streb (University Musical Society).** See 3 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Art on the Fridge: 2 Nites of Performance Art": People Dancing Studio.** See 3 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Language Is My Friend": Tongue in Teeth Productions.** See 3 Friday. 2 & 8 p.m.

**"All in the Timing": The Rude Mechanicals (University Activities Center).** See 3 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Fame": All City Players.** See 3 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Arm in Arm": EMU Theater of the Young.** See 3 Friday. 2:30 & 8 p.m.

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**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Billy Ray Bauer: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 2 Thursday. 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.

**Zen Tricksters: Prism Productions.** Hash Bash night performance by this veteran Grateful Dead tribute band from New York City. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $6 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; $8 at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

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## 5 SUNDAY

**Annual Spring Training Series: Velo Club.** *Every Sunday.* Low-cost, low-key races designed to give beginning cyclists experience racing in a structured atmosphere and experienced cyclists a start on the race season. Includes races for intermediate and advanced USCF-licensed racers, a "citizens' race" open to all riders, and a free race open to young racers ages 10–16. Velo Club coaches are on hand to offer assistance. Medals awarded each week to the top 3 finishers in each adult race, with trophies awarded at the end of the series for the rider with the highest point total. *9 a.m. (citizens' race), 10 a.m. (intermediate USCF), 11 a.m. (advanced USCF), & noon (youth), Runway Plaza, off S. State near the Ann Arbor Airport. Fees: $20 (Velo Club members, $10) for entire series; $10 (Velo Club members, $5) per race, plus $2 insurance. To register, pick up a form in downtown bike shops or call 761–1603.*

★**"First Sunday Ride of 1998": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** 22-mile ride, at various paces, to Loreen's in Dexter for breakfast. *9 a.m., meet at Wheeler Park, N. Fourth Ave. at Depot St. Free. 665–4968 (today's ride), 913–9851 (general information).*

★**"Sunday Bank Run": Ann Arbor Track Club.** *Every Sunday.* All invited to join AATC members for all or part of a 14-mile training run along roads ringing the city. *9 a.m., Great Lakes Bank parking lot, 2400 S. Huron Pkwy. at Platt Rd. Free. For information, call Dan Gamble at 995–5505.*

★**Zen Meditation: Buddhist Society for Compassionate Wisdom.** *Every Sunday.* Meditators from all traditions are welcome to join in meditation to develop awareness and concentration. In the morning, two 25-minute meditation periods with a break between, followed by a short talk by Zen Buddhist Temple resident priest Sukha Murray. In the evening, meditation and chanting, followed by a talk and a question period. *9:30–11 a.m. & 5–6:30 p.m., Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard at Wells. Free; donations accepted. 761–6520.*

★**"Spring Waterfowl Watch": Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission.** WCPARC's intrepid and informative Matt Heumann leads a trek to spot migrating ducks, geese, and other


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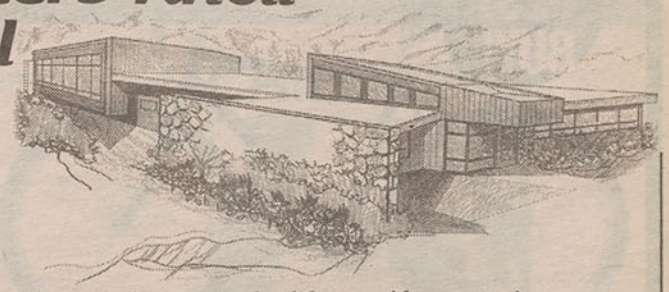

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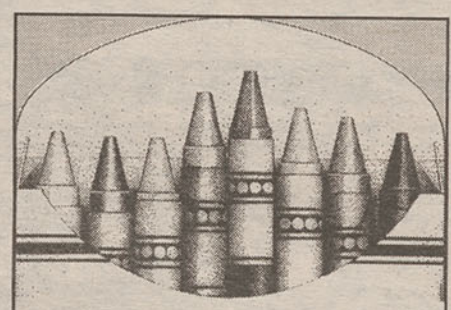

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★**"Update on Farmers' Markets": Ann Arbor Unitarian Fellowship.** Talk by Jim Rasmussen, a farmers' market consultant. *10 a.m., Burns Park Community Center, 1320 Baldwin. Free. 971–8638.*

★**First Singles: First Presbyterian Church.** *Every Sunday.* A weekly program for single adults interested in contemporary Christian topics, new ideas, personal growth, and social and physical activities. Weekly programs to be announced. Also, members meet for breakfast every Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Cafe Marie (1759 Plymouth Rd.) and every Wednesday at 7 p.m. for volleyball on a sand court on the church grounds. All singles invited. *10:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Free. 741–8345.*

★**Chinese Meditation: Ann Arbor Chapter of the International Yan Xin Qigong Association.** *Every Sunday.* All invited to discuss and practice this Chinese form of meditation. *10:30 a.m.–noon, 1014 Herbert Dow Bldg., 2300 Hayward, North Campus. Free. 764–2182.*

★**Dick Wallace: Borders Books and Music.** The former host of the defunct WQRS-FM classical radio station in Detroit talks about his career and his favorite classical music selections. *11 a.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**Single Point II: Knox Singles Ministries.** *Every Sunday.* All single adults ages 35 & older invited to join Knox Presbyterian pastor Mike Frison and Joyce Lutry to discuss **"Self-Esteem: Seeing Ourselves as God Sees Us."** *11:15 a.m., Tappan Middle School, 2251 E. Stadium. Free. 971–KNOX.*

**Silent Meditation: Essence Point.** *Every Sunday (except April 12).* Two meditation periods with a break for tea and conversation between them. All invited. Also, Essence Point hosts workshops this month on **"Death is not Your Enemy"** (April 6), a **psychic reading practice** (April 9), and **"Mothers and Daughters: Believing Mirrors"** (April 18). Call for details. *Noon–1 p.m., Guild House, 802 Monroe. Donation appreciated. 913–9830.*

**Monthly Meeting: YANKS.** All invited to join this group for brunch and socializing. The acronym stands for Young Anglicans: No Kids, and the group consists mostly of couples in their 20s and 30s, but there is no age requirement, and young parents who desire an afternoon of adult company are welcome. *Noon, location to be announced. Pay for your own meal. For information or reservations, call Colleen at 930–9006 or the church at 662–2449.*

★**"First Sunday Hot Sauce Tasting": Tios Restaurant.** Tios manager Tim Seaver offers samples of the hundreds of hot sauces and salsas available at this popular Mexican diner. Work your way through 100 sauces and you'll get a free T-shirt. *Noon–4 p.m., Tios Restaurant, 333 E. Huron. Free. 761–6650.*

★**Senior Sunday Fun Bunch: Ann Arbor Public Schools Senior Adult Program.** *Every Sunday.* All seniors age 55 and older are invited for an afternoon of socializing. Activities include a potluck (1–1:30 p.m.) and bridge and euchre (1:30–3:30 p.m.). Participants are welcome to bring their own games. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Newcomers welcome. *12:30–3:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. Free. 769–5911.*

★**"All Power to the Computer: Myths and Realities": First Unitarian Church Sunday Forum.** Panel discussion exploring a wide range of information-age topics, from the economics of access and the impact of the computer on identity to alternatives to the Internet and some of the unintended consequences of the information revolution. Panelists are EMU librarian Ann Andrew, Ann Arbor District Library reference librarian Debbie Gallagher, Community High School librarian Chris Crockett, and Parke-Davis interlibrary loan librarian Marina Brown. Moderator is U-M political science professor emerita Helen Graves. *12:45 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw at Berkshire. Free. 665–6158.*

★**"Upstairs at Borders": Borders Books and Music.** *Every Sunday (except April 12).* A weekly musical series featuring area performers. Today: jazz by the **Carl Michel Trio.** Also this month, blues-folk guitarist **Peter Keene** (April 19) and flute and guitar duets by **Alan Ayoub** and **Susan Barna** (April 26). *1 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Open House: Kempf House Center for Local History.** *April 5, 18, 19, 25 & 26.* Guided tours of this restored 19th-century Greek Revival home, named for the family of German-American musicians who

## *Welcome II the Terrordome*
### Death is no escape

In case anyone was getting comfortable with the current state of racism, or at least its depiction in film, Ngozi Onwurah's *Welcome II the Terrordome* offers up a fresh dose of in-your-face horror that stirs the pot of the issue and then turns up the heat. Onwurah, widely acknowledged as one of Britain's most talented and provocative directors, has never been one to shy away from controversy—or discomfort. The stuff of her life—abuse, racist attacks, a splintered, mixed-race family, her mother's fight with breast cancer—has been the seed for all of her work. Her very first short film, *Coffee-Coloured Children,* portrayed the young Onwurah and her brother Simon trying to make themselves white using bleach and a scouring pad.

Onwurah grew up in Manchester, England, the daughter of an English mother and a Nigerian father. Since graduating in 1989 from London's prestigious St. Martin's School of Art, she has garnered awards, commissions, and widespread attention with her unflinching films.

*Welcome II the Terrordome,* Onwurah's 1994 feature debut, is a cautionary tale, about as brutal and apocalyptic as they come. A dreamlike opening sequence sets a tone of timelessness that endures throughout the film: a group of Africans arrive on a nameless beach, view their white captors, and return calmly and silently to the water to drown themselves. But even death is no escape. We see these faces again, in a futuristic ghetto, a grim, enclosed society in which people of color eke out a dangerous, desperate existence. We see glimpses of the lives of these former (and current) slaves, glimpses that eventually coalesce into a story, though that's not really the point here. A white woman, pregnant by her black boyfriend and never really accepted by his family, is viciously kicked in the stomach by her white ex until she miscarries. A black child is murdered by police. His mother's rage leads to multiple murders and her own death. This is painful viewing, for anyone, white or black.

Onwurah was in her late twenties when she wrote and directed *Welcome II the Terrordome,* and there's something young and raw about it. At times the symbolism is overblown and the unremitting bleakness becomes simply numbing. But at the film's end I was chilled and unnerved. It's no surprise that she wrote the screenplay in three days, with a nerve trapped under her wisdom tooth, and all dentists on holiday.

Ngozi Onwurah is at the Michigan Theater for a screening of *Welcome II the Terrordome,* on Thursday, April 9.

*—Kate Conner-Ruben*

occupied it at the turn of the century. *1–4 p.m., Kempf House, 312 S. Division. Admission $1 (children under 12, free). 994–4898.*

★**Informational Meeting: Ann Arbor Co-Housing Group.** Learn about this local nonprofit group's cooperatively designed neighborhood, consisting of affordable private homes with some shared facilities, which emphasizes connection among residents and environmental responsibility. *1–3 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. 930–6425.*

★**Easter Dress-Up Show: Hudson's.** Models show off the latest women's and children's spring fashions. *1 p.m., Hudson's, Briarwood Mall. Free.*

★**"Wet Meadow Festival": Buhr Park Children's Wet Meadow Project.** All invited to explore the new wet meadow in Buhr Park and learn about what you can do in your backyard and elsewhere to improve water quality. Participants can view old maps of the pond in Buhr Park, learn about rainwater gardens, plant a wild flower seed to take home, and more. Also, games, storytelling, and environmental demonstrations. *1–4 p.m., Allen Elementary School, 2560 Towner Blvd. (off Easy St. from Packard). Free. 971–5780.*

★**"Kiki's Walk for Fitness & Health": Herb David Guitar Studio.** *Every Sunday.* All seniors age 50 & older are invited to join Kiki David, a 94-year-old runner (and Herb David's mother), for an hour-long walk in Gallup Park, weather permitting. *1 p.m., Gallup Park canoe livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). Free. For information, call Herb David at 665–8001 (10 a.m.–6 p.m., except Sundays).*

★**"Feed the Poets": Del Rio.** Open mike poetry readings interspersed with informal readings by featured poets to be announced. *1:30–4:30 p.m., Del Rio, 122 W. Washington. Free. 761–2530.*

★**"Bear Country": Waterloo Natural History Association.** Waterloo Recreation Area park interpreter Lisa Gamero presents a slide-illustrated talk on the habits of the Michigan black bear, including the do's and don't's of camping in bear country. *2 p.m., Gerald E. Eddy Geology Center, Bush Rd., Chelsea. (Take I-94 west to exit 157, follow Pierce Rd. north to Bush Rd., and go west on Bush Rd. The Geology Center is on the left.) Free. $4 vehicle entry fee, unless you already have a state motor vehicle permit ($20 per year). 475–3170.*

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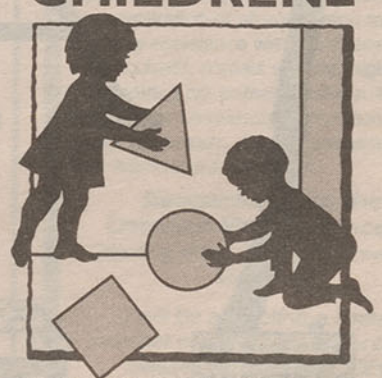


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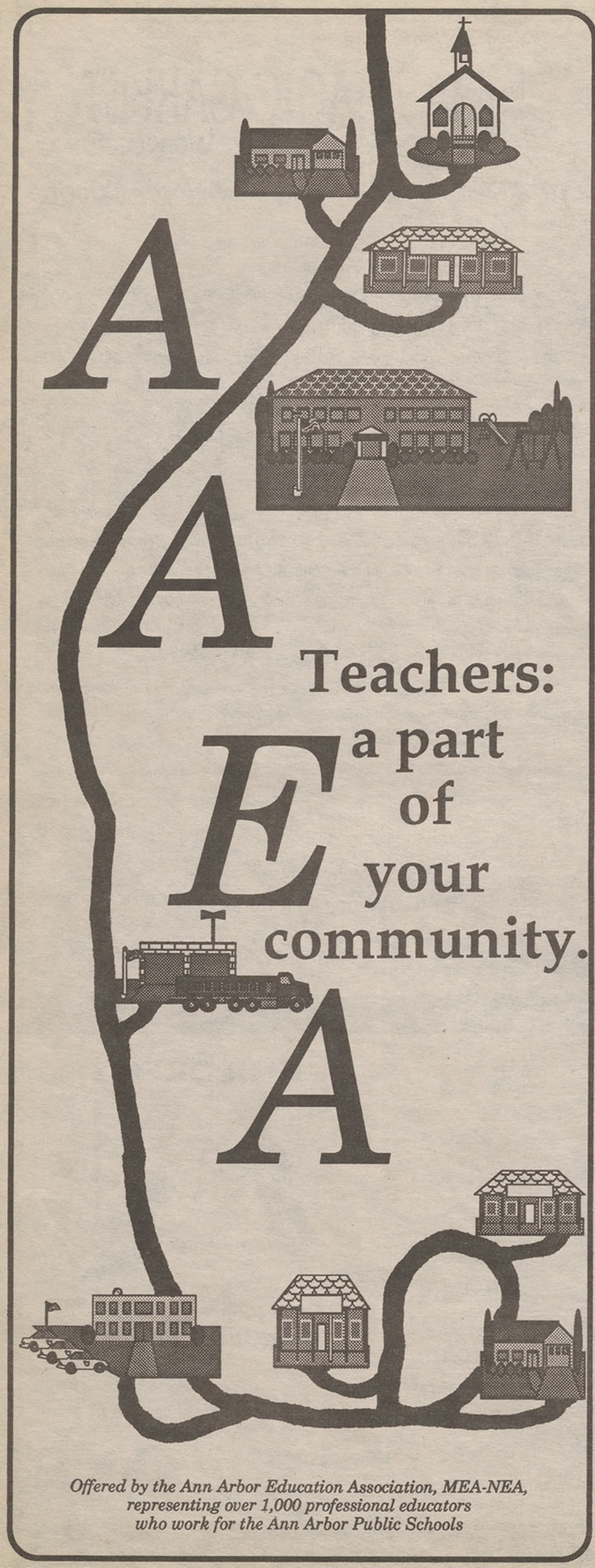


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★**"Susanne Mentzer—The Recital": University Musical Society.** Ann Arbor District Library fine arts librarian Richard LeSueur talks about mezzo-soprano Mentzer's upcoming recital (see 7 Tuesday listing). *2 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 345 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 764–2538, 327–4200.*

★**"Kerry Tales: April Showers and Mother Goose": Story Time at Kerrytown (Kerrytown Shops/Workbench Furniture).** This 30-minute family-oriented program of rhymes, riddles, and rollicking fun features local storyteller Trudy Bulkley as Mother Goose. *2 p.m., Workbench, 2nd-floor children's furniture area, 410 N. Fourth Ave., Kerrytown. Free. 769–3115.*

**"Lilies: Not Just for Easter Anymore": U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens Conservatory Tour.** *Every Sunday (except April 12).* Docents lead a greenhouse tour to examine some of the lilies in the collection. Space is limited; it's a good idea to arrive 15 minutes early to sign up. Also (today only), a free outdoor **trail walk.** *2 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Trail walk is free; conservatory admission $2. 998–7061.*

★**Sunday Tour: U-M Museum of Art.** *Every Sunday (except April 12).* UMMA docents lead an hour-long tour of museum holdings. Today: **"Chinese Ceramics."** Also this month: **"20th-Century Art"** (April 19) and **"Highlights of the Permanent Collection"** (April 26). *2 p.m., UMMA, 525 S. State at South University. Free. 764–0395.*

**"Finian's Rainbow": Washtenaw Community College.** See 2 Thursday. 2 p.m.

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**"Melody on Ice Rocks!": 56th Annual Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club Show.** See 3 Friday. 2:30 p.m.

**"Tales for Tots": U-M Exhibit Museum.** *Every Sunday.* Storytelling program for preschoolers focusing on different museum exhibits each week. *3 p.m., U-M Exhibit Museum, North University at Geddes Ave. $1 suggested donation. 763–6085.*

★**"City Revisited": Clare Spitler Works of Art.** Opening reception for an exhibit of multimedia collages with an urban theme by Ann Arbor artist Judith Jacobs and Berlin artist Rolf Wojciechowski. *3–6 p.m., Clare Spitler Works of Art, 2007 Pauline Ct. Free. 662–8914.*

★**Ann Arbor–Motown Hash House Harriers.** *Every Sunday.* The local chapter of an unorthodox international running club for people who like to make a game of running. Each runner's primary task is to follow a trail, laid out by a club member, that has been designed to trick runners into losing their way. The usual result is to make the fastest (lead) runners run the longest distance, so that runners of varying abilities complete the course in nearly the same time. Each run includes at least one pit stop (with beer and soft drinks hidden along the way) and is followed by a trip to a nearby restaurant for refreshments. *3 p.m., location to be announced. Free. For location and information, call 332–9314.*

**"Palm Sunday Show": Ann Arbor Silent Film Society.** ***King of Kings*** (Cecil B. DeMille, 1927) is a lavish silent treatment of the life of Christ from the redemption of Mary Magdalene to the Resurrection (shot in two-color Technicolor) and the Ascension. Also, the short ***Great Heart Lepers,*** an educational film starring B-movie actor Tom Neal about the life of Father Damien, the famous missionary among the lepers on Molokai. *3 p.m., Clarion Hotel, 2900 Jackson Rd. $4. 677–1359, 665–4444.*

★**Concordia Wind Ensemble: Concordia College.** Andrew Schultz directs this student ensemble in works by Grainger, Bach, Elliot Del Borgo, and David Holsinger. Trombonist Wendy Schultz is the featured soloist in Arthur Pryor's "Annie Laurie." *3:30 p.m., Concordia College Chapel of the Holy Trinity, 4090 Geddes Rd. at Earhart. Free. 995–4612.*

★**Arianna String Quartet: EMU Music Department.** The 1994 grand prize winner at the prestigious Fischoff Chamber Music Competition, the Arianna is regarded as one of the country's finest young string quartets. It concludes its second year at EMU as quartet-in-residence with a concert featuring Haydn's Opus 77, No. 2, and Beethoven's Opus 135. *4 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

★**Percussion Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** Michael Udow directs this top-notch music-student ensemble. The Percussion Ensemble has performed to acclaim around the world and has released several CDs. The group's concerts are exciting, energetic, and generally a lot of fun. *4 p.m., U-M School of Music McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Faculty & Guest Recital: U-M School of Music.** Pianist Logan Skelton, mezzo-soprano Freda Herseth, and baritone Phillip Frohmayer perform the world premiere of Logan's *Cummings Songs: An American Grab Bag.* Also, Halsey Stevens's *Siete Canciones* (settings of poems by Lorca) and songs by Charles Ives. *4 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Jazz Mass: Canterbury House.** *April 5, 12, & 19.* An alternative Episcopal worship service with live music by Quartex, a group led by U-M composer Stephen Rush that plays original and traditional jazz, techno, gospel, Taize, and rock. The Rev. Matthew Lawrence is preacher and celebrant. Tonight's Palm Sunday service is followed by supper. Also, Quartex performs at the Easter vigil on April 11. *5 p.m., Canterbury House, 721 E. Huron St. Free; offering taken. 665–0606.*

★**Morris Dancing: Ann Arbor Morris & Sword Dancers.** *Every Sunday.* All invited to learn this traditional form of English ceremonial dance dating back to medieval times. No experience necessary. Wear comfortable soft-soled shoes. Members perform in costume on May Day and other occasions throughout the year. *6–8 p.m., the lawn between Rackham and Frieze Bldgs., U-M campus. Free. For information, call Peggy at 663–9218.*

★**"Winter in Italy": SKR Classical.** *April 5 & 19.* SKR's Guy Barast concludes his series of laser disc video recordings of Italian opera productions. This month: **Verdi's *La Traviata*** (tonight), a showing of Zeffirelli's 1984 film version starring Placido Domingo; and **Puccini's *Il Trittico*** (April 19), the trilogy that includes *Suor Angelica, Il Tabarro,* and *Gianni Schicchi. 7 p.m., SKR Classical, 539 E. Liberty. Free. 995–5051.*

**Weekly Meeting: U-M Ballroom Dancers.** *Every Sunday.* Ballroom dancing to recorded music, including fox-trots, waltzes, cha-chas, rumbas, tangos, swing, and more. No partner necessary. Preceded at 7 p.m. by beginning fox-trot (April 5) and West Coast swing (April 12, 19, & 26) lessons. *7–8 p.m. (lessons), 8–10 p.m. (general dancing), Michigan Union Ballroom. $2. 763–6984.*

**II-V-I Orchestra: Heidelberg Restaurant.** *Every Sunday.* Dancing to late-30s swing and 40s R&B by this veteran local big band led by Urbations saxophonist David Swain. *7–9:30 p.m., Heidelberg Restaurant (3rd floor), 215 N. Main. $3. 663–7758.*

**Leo Kottke: The Ark.** A perennial winner of the Best Folk Guitarist Award in *Guitar Player* magazine's annual readers' poll, Kottke is known for the elegantly understated grittiness of his approach to a richly varied acoustic repertoire. Critic David McGee calls him a "staunch traditionalist" whose music embodies "a profound commitment to the simple virtues of harmony, melody, and if you will, plain talk found in country, folk, and blues songs." Kottke is also a compelling singer with a deep, resonant voice and an expert entertainer whose concerts are by turns humorous and spellbinding. His latest Private Music CD, *Standing in My Shoes,* is a groove-oriented collaboration with former Prince sideman David Z. *7 & 9:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $15 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"House Blend" Series: Ann Arbor Playwrights.** *April 5 & 19.* All invited to hear a reading of a new play by a local playwright, followed by discussion. Tonight: Katie Bohr's ***What Motivates Men,*** a historical drama set in 1850s America about the chief engineer of the U.S. Army who is torn between discovery and conflict. *7 p.m., Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. $2 suggested donation. 913–9749.*

★**Campus Symphony Orchestra: U-M School of Music.** Charles Burke, Allen Tinkham, and Adam Glaser direct this U-M student ensemble in works by Brahms and Tchaikovsky. Also, Weber's Clarinet Concerto. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

★**"Vicissitude": U-M School of Music/Michigan Chinese Society of Liberal Arts, Science, and Technology.** The **China Found Music Workshop,** a Taiwanese music ensemble, performs traditional and contemporary Chinese music. Reception follows in the lobby. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Admission by free ticket, available by calling Amy Seetoo at 332–0390.*

**"All in the Timing": The Rude Mechanicals (University Activities Center).** See 3 Friday. 8 p.m.

FILMS

**Ann Arbor Silent Film Society. "Palm Sunday Show."** See Events listing above. Clarion Hotel, 3 p.m. **U-M Center for Russian & East European Studies. "Border Street"** (Ulica Graniczna, 1948). Drama about Jewish and Gentile families living together in a building at the edge of the Warsaw ghetto during WWII. Polish, subtitles. FREE. Mich., 4 p.m. **MTF. "Welcome to Sarajevo"** (Michael Winterbottom, 1997). *April 5–7 & 9.* An American journalist in war-torn Bosnia becomes involved in the plight of war orphans. Woody Harrelson, Marisa Tomei. Mich., 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.

## 6 MONDAY

**"Introduction to Computers": Ann Arbor District Library.** *April 6 & 14.* A hands-on introduction to computers, with an emphasis on such basic skills as using a mouse, opening and closing an application, formatting, saving to a disk, printing, and more. Open to all AADL cardholders. *10 a.m. (April 6) & 7 p.m. (April 14), Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**Weekly Rehearsal: Women's Chamber Chorus.** *Every Monday.* All invited to join this independent local women's chorus, a member of the Washtenaw Council for the Arts, to sing everything from Bach and Hungarian folk songs to madrigals and pop tunes. Gini Robison directs. *Note:* The chorus presents its annual spring concert on April 24 (see listing). *10–11:45 a.m., Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 520 W. Jefferson at Fourth St. Free to first-time visitors ($40 per semester membership dues). 677–0678, 663–5907.*

★**Jewish Older Adults: Jewish Community Center.** *Every Monday.* Activities begin with fitness exercises ($2) to taped music led by veteran teacher Maria Farquhar (10:30 a.m.). The weekly program also includes a **Russian conversation class** (11:45 a.m.–noon) taught by Boris Gankin, an emigre Russian poet, engineer, and mountain climber who has been living in Ann Arbor since February 1996, and meetings of the creative writing group **Words for Ourselves, Our Children, Our Community** (1 p.m.). Also, at noon, a homemade luncheon buffet ($4, $3 with reservations). All invited. *10 a.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. 971–0990.*

★**Monday Club: Ann Arbor Salvation Army.** *Every Monday.* Drop-in social group for seniors age 55 and older. Every meeting includes a special program, speaker, word game, or craft activity. The weekly program also includes **Bible study** and **chair exercises.** Coffee, tea, juice, and doughnuts served. Followed by lunch and socializing. *10:30 a.m.–noon, Salvation Army, 100 Arbana. Free ($1 donation for lunch). 668–8353.*

★**Bible Study Group: Guild House Campus Ministry.** *April 6 & 20.* All invited to join a Bible discussion led by Guild House minister Diane Christopherson. *Noon–1 p.m., Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Ave. Free. 662–5189.*

★**"Gender and Intersecting Identities": U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender.** Panel discussion with three U-M graduate fellows. Susan Chimonas (sociology) discusses **"Moral Panic and Identity: Representations and Renewals."** Carolyn Comiskey (history) talks about **"Women, Catholicism, and Right-Wing Political Identity in France, 1896–1914."** Jocelyn Stitt (English) discusses **"Gender in the Contact Zone: Early 19th-Century British Women Imagine the Caribbean."** *3–5 p.m., LS&A Executive Conference Room, 2553 LS&A Bldg. Free. 764–9537.*

★**Lee Abbott: U-M English Department/Borders Books and Music.** Fiction reading by this award-wining short story writer from Ohio. His latest collection, *Wet Places at Noon,* is set mostly in New Mexico and consists of bleakly humorous stories about people at the edge of their emotional resources. "[Abbott] draws on our cultural standards—our wars, our divorces, our suppressed alien crash-landings—to create a mythology all his own," writes novelist Tom Drury in a review for the *New York Times. 4 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Free. 764–6296.*

★**"South by Southwest Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle**


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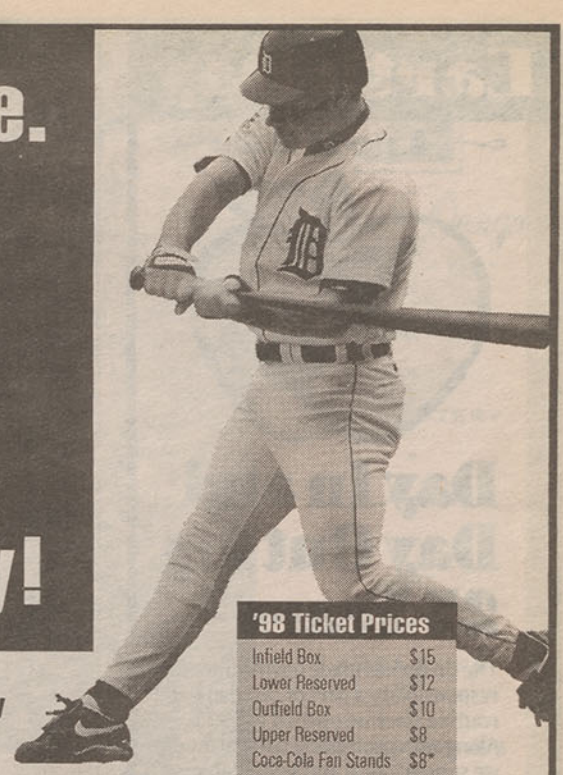

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★**"Country Roads Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Monday.* Fast-, moderate-, and slow-paced training ride, 16–26 miles, along country roads west of town. *6 p.m., meet at the north side of Vigoro Farm Market, corner of Pine Cross Lane & Parker Rd. (just north of W. Liberty), Scio Twp. Free. 426–5116 (today's ride), 913–9851 (general information).*

**"Bread Tasting and Lecture": Zingerman's Bakehouse.** Zingerman's Bakehouse owner Frank Carollo talks about bread making and compares different local brands of bread (with taste samples). Also, participants knead, shape, bake, and take home a loaf of Zingerman's Italian bread. Proceeds donated to Food Gatherers, a local organization that collects excess fresh food from restaurants and markets to distribute to local shelters and other organizations with food programs. *7–9 p.m., Zingerman's Bakehouse, 3711 Plaza Dr. $15. Space limited; reservations required. 761–2095.*

**Weekly Meeting: Dream Group.** *Every Monday.* All invited to discuss their dreams from a Jungian perspective. Discussion facilitator is local social worker Rebecca Mullen. *7–9:30 p.m., location to be announced. $5 donation. 662–5925.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Huron Valley Toastmasters.** *Every Monday.* Members give speeches and are critiqued by their audience. A good opportunity to develop confidence in speaking publicly. Preceded at 6:30 p.m. by dinner in the U-M Hospital cafeteria. *Note:* Different Toastmasters chapters meet every Wednesday & Thursday (see listings). *7–9 p.m., U-M Main Hospital cafeteria, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (off Fuller). Free to visitors. Dues: $48 a year (after a onetime nonrefundable fee of $16). 663–1836.*

★**Weekly Meeting: The Shire of Cynnabar (Society for Creative Anachronism).** *Every Monday.* All invited to join this local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Each meeting features a workshop on re-creating a different aspect of medieval culture, including heraldry, costuming, embroidery, and other crafts. *7 p.m., 1305 Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences Bldg., 1311 Beal, North Campus. Free. For information, call Chuck Cohen at 764–4317.*

★**"Buying a Home Without Losing Your Shirt": The Buyer's Agent.** Real estate professionals lead a discussion on first-time home buying, including the search process, negotiation, mortgages, and closings. *7–8:30 p.m., The Buyer's Agent, 1900 W. Stadium. Free, but preregistration required. 662–6240.*

★**Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** See 2 Thursday. 7 p.m.

★**Ann Arbor Go Club.** *April 6, 12, 20, & 26.* Players of all ages and ability levels invited to play this ancient board game. Go equipment and basic instruction provided. *7:30–10 p.m. (April 6 & 20) & 1–5 p.m. (April 12 & 26), Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 663–1675.*

**Insight Meditation (Vipassana) Sitting Group: Deep Spring Center.** *April 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 21, 23, & 27.* All invited to join this group for 45 minutes of meditation focusing on the breath. While the practice stems from the earliest and purest Buddhist teachings, this form of meditation requires no religious beliefs. The Monday sessions are for experienced meditators only; beginners are welcome at the Tuesday & Thursday sessions. Beginning instructions available by reservation at 7 p.m. before the Tuesday & Thursday sessions. Followed by a meditation class (8:30–10 p.m.) with discussion (donation requested). The program is led by Barbara Brodsky, an Ann Arborite who teaches meditation locally and around the U.S. Bring a cushion to sit on. Participants are asked to arrive by 7:15 p.m. *7:30–8:15 p.m., 3455 Charing Cross (off Packard just west of US-23). Donations accepted; preregistration requested. For information, call Hal at 971–3455.*

★**Jim Adams: Annual Golden Apple Award (Hillel/Apple Computer).** This U-M economics professor is the recipient of this year's award, chosen by U-M students, for outstanding undergraduate teaching. According to tradition, he delivers a lecture based on the premise: "If you could give only one lecture, what would you really want to say to this generation of students?" *7:30 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Free. 769–0500.*

★**Iris Chang: Borders Books and Music.** This author discusses her acclaimed new book, *The Rape of Nanking: The Forgotten Holocaust of World War II.* Also, Chang speaks tomorrow (noon) at the U-M

## jazz

### Johnny Griffin
**Master of the tenor sax**

Johnny Griffin is coming to town April 15 and 16 for four shows at the Bird of Paradise, and I cannot wait. He was the tenor saxophonist on the first jazz record my father got me, a Thelonious Monk LP with a surrealist painting on the cover. And he was the first American player I heard while growing up in Poland. More than thirty years ago, Griffin came to Warsaw with pianist Kenny Drew for the Jazz Jamboree, the only real jazz festival in Eastern Europe at the time. They quickly dispensed with the local rhythm section and played as a duo, closing each night's session with long impromptu performances.

In the 1960s, most European musicians were still struggling to catch the spontaneity and swing of their American heroes; nothing we had heard on those hard-to-get recordings had prepared us for what we heard on those nights. Griffin, a small man who seemed almost lost against the background of the enormous organ on the stage of the Warsaw Philharmonic, gave us lesson after lesson in controlled musical abandon. He and Drew would take well-known standards in every possible musical direction, playing with harmony and rhythm in seemingly impossible ways.

Griffin has been a peripatetic musician ever since he went on the road with the Lionel Hampton Orchestra three days after graduating from his Chicago high school. Originally an alto saxophone player, he was immediately told to switch to the tenor, and now he says: "I'm only interested in the tenor. That's what I hear." He quickly developed a distinctive approach to the instrument, combining a tough but warm sound with incredible agility and speed. He played with some of the finest bands around, including those of Art Blakey and Thelonious Monk, and then co-led a marvelous two-tenor combo with Lockjaw Davis. The two saxophonists had different but complementary approaches to their instruments; both swung hard and managed to combine sophisticated music-making with popular appeal.

In recent years Griffin has slowed down his execution somewhat and allowed the gentler side to take a more prominent role, without sacrificing the excitement in his playing. He has also developed into a composer of note, and his sets now include originals as well as standards. It is therefore fortuitous that he will be coming to the Bird of Paradise with his own quartet, which is well acquainted with the full range of his repertoire.

In the early 1960s Griffin moved to Europe where he has lived ever since. Each year he comes back to this country for a birthday-week gig at the Jazz Showcase in Chicago, and this year, as he turns seventy, he will drop into Ann Arbor on the way to his hometown. Simply put: one of the masters of the tenor sax is coming to town.

*—Piotr Michalowski*

Center for Chinese Studies. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**Weekly Rehearsal: Out Loud Chorus.** *Every Monday.* Beginning to advanced singers invited to join this chorus for lesbian, gay, and bisexual people. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Civic Theater, 2215 Platt Rd. Free. 973–6084.*

★**Monthly Large Ensemble Meeting: Ann Arbor Recorder Society.** All beginning and advanced players of the recorder and other early instruments invited. Music and stands provided. Also, the group holds its monthly small ensemble (5–10 players) meeting on April 20. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Forsythe Middle School choir room, 1655 Newport Rd. at Sunset. Free to first-time visitors ($30 annual dues). 665–5758.*

★**Poetry Reading: Ann Arbor District Library.** Readings by three local poets in conjunction with National Poetry Month. Readers are U-M writing instructor **Lorna Goodison,** local poet **Ray McDaniel,** and Community High student **Laura Fardig.** *7:30–9 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**Houghton College Choir: First Presbyterian Church Sacred Music Series.** Jean Reigles directs this college choir from Houghton, New York, in a program to be announced. *7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Free. 662–4466.*

★**"Contact Improvisation Dance Jam": Magic Dragon Studios.** *Every Monday.* All invited to participate in contact improvisation, where two or more people engage in movement guided by shared physical contact. Instruction in slow gentle early work, evolving toward more daring moves, including supported "flight" and acrobatics. It's helpful if participants have some experience in dance or other movement techniques. Acoustic musicians who want to provide music welcome. *8–10 p.m., 4235 Pontiac Trail. Free, but reservations requested. Call Jean Louise Balliet at 663–8073.*

★**"Xylem": Shaman Drum Bookshop Publication Party.** Poetry and fiction readings by contributors to the new issue of this U-M undergrad literary journal. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**"Monday Evenings with Stephen McLean": LifeTouch Chiropractic.** *April 6 & 20.* A series of talks by this local chiropractor. This month: **"Levels of Care in a Network Office"** (tonight) and **"Energy in Motion: Network Chiropractic and the Flow of Chi"** (April 20). *8 p.m., LifeTouch Chiropractic, 1210 N. Maple Rd. at Miller. Free, but reservations requested. 668–6110.*

★**"Reforming the Welfare State in Post-Socialist Economics": 16th Annual Alexander Eckstein Memorial Lecture (U-M Center for Chinese Studies).** Lecture by Harvard University economics professor Janos Kornai. Also a permanent fellow of the Collegium Budapest in his native Hungary, Kornai is widely recognized as the world's leading authority on former socialist economies and post-socialist transitions. *8 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Free. 764–6308.*

★**Franz Mohr: U-M School of Music.** Talk by this legendary Steinway piano technician, the author of *My Life with the Great Pianists. 8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**"The Strategic Therapy Approach to Finally Learning to Love Yourself Regardless of What Has Happened to You and What You Have Done": Counseling Resources of Ann Arbor.** Talk by local social work therapist Bob Egri. Also this month, Egri presents talks on **"The Strategic Coaching Approach for Effectively Dealing with and Recovering from the Divorce Process"** (April 7) and **"The 10 Keys to Making Your Intimate Relationships Work"** (April 8). *8:15–9:15 p.m., location to be announced. Free. Reservations requested. 665–6924.*

★**Writers Series: Guild House.** *Every Monday.*

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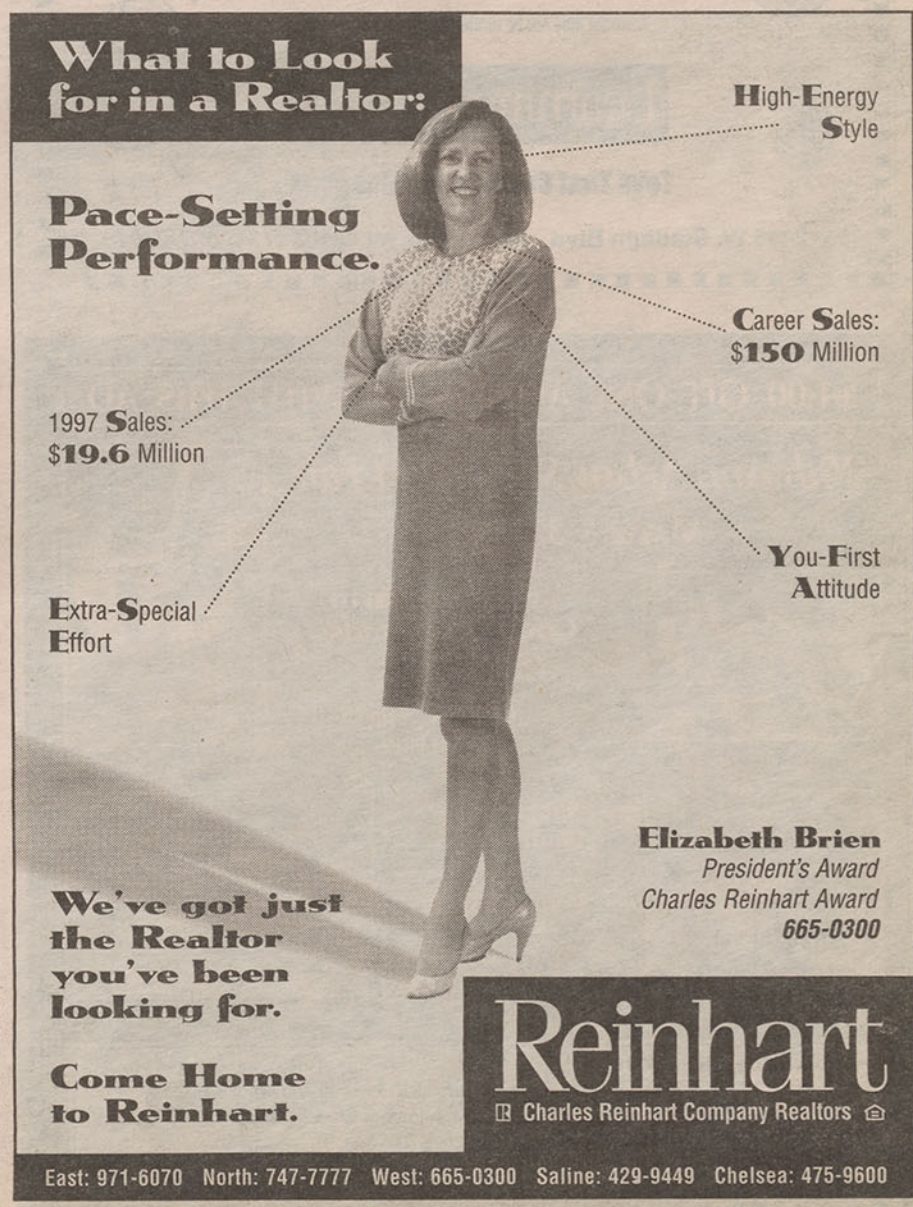

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Readings by featured poets and fiction writers to be announced. Also, open mike readings. *8:30 p.m., Guild House, 802 Monroe at Oakland. Free. 995–1956, (248) 652–8568.*

**FILMS**

**MTF. "Pixote"** (Hector Babenco, 1981). Chilling, graphic drama about a child criminal living in the streets of Brazil. Portuguese, subtitles. Mich., 4:10 p.m. **"Taste of Cherry"** (Abbas Kiarostami, 1997). *April 6, 11, & 12.* Masterful film about an Iranian man searching the outskirts of Teheran for someone to assist him in his suicide. Winner of the Palme D'Or at the 1997 Cannes Film Festival. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Welcome to Sarajevo"** (Michael Winterbottom, 1997). See 5 Sunday Mich., 9 p.m.

## 7 TUESDAY

**★Fall Registration: Community Bible Study.** All invited to register for an interdenominational Bible study group of the Gospel of John that meets every Tuesday beginning in September. No previous Bible study required. Also, visitors are welcome to join discussions of Colossians that meet April 7, 21, 28. *9:15–11:15 a.m., Grace Bible Church, 1300 S. Maple; and 7:30–9 p.m., Ann Arbor Christian Reformed Church, 7171 Broadway. Free. 327–0378, 668–6340.*

**★"Writing Your Life Story": Jewish Community Center.** *Every Tuesday.* Washtenaw Community College behavioral sciences instructor Ernest Zaremba presents a weekly program to help seniors write their autobiography. Open to anyone age 65 & older. The Tuesday older adult activities also include quilt-making and mah-jongg, Scrabble, and other board games (1–3 p.m.). *10 a.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. Preregistration required. 971–0990.*

**★Israeli Dancing: Hillel.** All invited to join in Israeli dancing in celebration of Israel's 50th anniversary. *Noon, U-M Diag. Free. 769–0500.*

**★"Brown Bag Lecture": U-M Center for Chinese Studies.** *April 7, 14, & 21.* Talks by U-M and visiting scholars. Bring a bag lunch; cookies & coffee served. Today: Speaker and topic to be announced. Also this month: University of California-Davis anthropology professor William Skinner discusses **"Gender Differentiation in Contemporary China: A Regional Overview"** (April 14), and University of Tulsa history professor Thomas Buoye discusses **"Manslaughter Markets and Moral Economy"** (April 21). *Noon–1 p.m., 1636 School of Social Work Bldg., 1080 South University. Free. 764–6308.*

**★Jo-Ann Brooks & Jack Vandermeer: Ann Arbor District Library "Downtown Sounds" Concert Series.** Performance by the local jazz duo of vocalist Brooks and guitarist Vandermeer. *12:10–1 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 345 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4510.*

**"Moving Beyond the Basics": Ann Arbor District Library.** Introduction to the finer details of using a web browser, including using bookmarks, saving to disk, and how to evaluate websites. Open to all AADL cardholders. *Note:* Free versions of this class (preregistration required), with less hands-on opportunity, are offered at the West (April 8, 8:30 a.m.) and Loving (April 21, 7 p.m.) branches. *2 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

**★U-M Baseball vs. Bowling Green.** *3 p.m., Ray Fisher Stadium. Free. 764–0247.*

**★"Romantic Marriage as Modernist Tragedy in Iran": U-M Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies "Women in the Middle East" Lecture.** Talk by Barnard College women's studies professor Afsaneh Najmabadi. *4 p.m., Rackham East Conference Room (4th floor). Free. 764–0350.*

**★"Finding India's Place": U-M Collegiate Professorship Lecture.** Lecture by U-M history and anthropology professor Tom Trautmann, also the current director of the U-M Institute for the Humanities. *4–6 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Free. 998–6255.*

**★"Big Sky Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Tuesday.* Moderate-paced ride, 20–35 miles, along flat, relatively quiet picturesque roads south of Ann Arbor. *5:30 p.m., meet at York Baptist Church, 1220 Stony Creek Rd. at Platt. Free. 971–5763 (today's ride), 913–9851 (general information).*

**Annual "Basketball Bust": M-Club of Ann Arbor.** A dinner honoring the U-M men's basketball team features a silent auction, game highlight videos, and talks by the team's graduating seniors. Emcee is WJR sports director and "Voice of the Wolverines" **Chuck Swirsky.** A fund-raiser for the M-Club, which sponsors U-M academic and athletic scholarships. M-Club hosts the spring football luncheon April 20 (see listing). *5:30 p.m., Crisler Arena. $40 (students, $25). For tickets, call Wayne Middleton at 741–9859 or Steve Semple at 973–9447.*

**★Aikido Yoshinkai Introductory Class: Movement Learning Systems.** *Every Tuesday.* Introductory class led by Jesse Nichols, a 4th-degree black belt aikido instructor. Wear loose, comfortable clothing. *6:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Movement Learning Center, 3610 W. Liberty. Free, but preregistration required. 913–1072.*

**"Nontraditional Passover Desserts": Jewish Community Center.** Zingerman's co-owner Ari Weinzweig and Zingerman's Bakehouse pastry chef Carol Calder Deinzer show how to make an array of unconventional Passover desserts. *6:30–9 p.m., Zingerman's Bakehouse, 3711 Plaza Dr. $15 donation to Food Gatherers. Space limited; reservations required. 971–0990.*

**★"String Figure Fun": Ann Arbor District Library.** Local string figure artist Marcia Gaynor shows how to make a cat's cradle and other string figures. For kids age 8 & older. *6:30–7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library youth department (1st floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 327–8301.*

**★Annual Meeting: Washtenaw Area Council for Children.** Keynote speaker is Family Independence Agency director Patricia Hammond. Also, announcement of the winners of the annual Children's Service Awards. Refreshments. All invited. *6:30 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 761–7072.*

**"Changing Bodies—Time to Talk": Planned Parenthood of Mid-Michigan.** *April 7, 21, & 28.* Local professionals lead a workshop for parents whose children are going through puberty. Tonight: a workshop for **fathers and sons** ages 10–13. Also, a class for **mother and daughters** ages 9–12 (April 21), and for **mothers and sons** ages 10–13 (April 29). Also, Planned Parenthood hosts a workshop for parents only, April 1 at Chelsea Community Hospital. *7–9 p.m., Planned Parenthood, 3100 Professional Dr. $0–35 per class sliding-scale suggested donation. Reservations requested. 973–0710.*

**★German Speakers' Round Table.** *Every Tuesday.* All German speakers invited to join for conversation and coffee in a relaxed atmosphere, followed by beer and more conversation at a nearby pub. *7 p.m., Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington. Free. 485–4204.*

**★Track Workout: Ann Arbor Track Club.** *Every Tuesday.* Runners (and walkers) of all ages and abilities welcome. Now in their 24th year, the Track Club's workouts are a popular means for runners to train and be timed at various distances. *7 p.m., U-M Track & Tennis Bldg., Hoover at S. State. Free. 663–9740.*

**★Weekly Meeting: Ann Arbor Area Knitters Club.** *Every Tuesday.* Knitters of all levels of experience are invited to join this group that meets weekly to knit together and share techniques and ideas. *7–9 p.m., location to be announced. Free. 747–6383.*

**★Biweekly Meeting: Huron Valley Greens/U-M Student Greens.** *April 7 & 21.* Today's program is a discussion of Greens philosophy. Also this month: A guest speaker to be announced. (April 21). *7–8:30 p.m., Michigan League location to be announced. Free. 663–3555.*

**"From Bankruptcy to Millions": Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan.** Talk by local entrepreneur Michael Jeffreys. Open to all women who own or would like to start a business. Informal networking a half hour before the meeting. *7–8:30 p.m., 777 Eisenhower at S. State. $10 (members, free). Reservations required. 332–9300.*

**★"If It Were *My* Body . . .": Whole Foods Market.** Talk by local nutritional counselor Cindy Klement. *7–8:30 p.m., Tappan Middle School, room 106, 2251 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 971–3366.*

**Rocky Road Advanced Contra-English Dance.** *April 7 & 21.* Susan English leads dancing to music by David West and Donna Baird. All dances taught; no partner required. *7–9:45 p.m., Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Rd. $5. 662–5158.*

**★Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** See 2 Thursday. 7 p.m.

**"Land Mines: Hidden Terrors": U-M Campaign to Ban Land Mines.** Talk by Paul Piatti of the Vietnam Veterans' Federation of America. *7:30 p.m., Michigan Union Anderson Room D. Free. 763–1869.*

★**"Rogue Reds, Racial Justice, and Civil Liberties": Borders Books and Music.** WSU history grad Edward Pintzuk discusses his history of Michigan Communists during the Cold War. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**Biweekly Meeting: Ann Arbor Camera Club.** *April 7 & 21.* Tonight: Local commercial and fine arts photographer **Stephen Graham** shows and discusses his work, and club members show their recent slides. Also this month: U-M medical & biological illustration professor Csaba Martonyi presents **"Landscapes of the Eye,"** a slide-illustrated talk featuring stunning macro photographs of the human eye, and club members show their recent prints. *7:30 p.m., Forsythe Middle School, room 310, 1655 Newport Rd. at Sunset. Free ($10 annual dues for those who join). 663–3763, 665–6597.*

★**"The Myth of Cleansing: How to Use Plants for Nourishment and Health-Building": People's Food Co-op Herbal Wisdom Series.** Talk by local holistic health practitioner Linda Feldt. *7:30–9:30 p.m., location to be announced. Free. Preregistration requested. 769–0095.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Fellowship of Isis.** *Every Tuesday.* All invited to join this newly formed group to study and celebrate ancient Egyptian religion and other early rites. *7:30 p.m., Inter-Cooperative Council Education Center, 1522 Hill St. (in the carriage house behind the co-op buildings). Free. 665–3522.*

★**"A Guide to the Bodhisattva Way of Life": Jewel Heart Buddhist Center.** *Every Tuesday.* Talk by Gelek Rinpoche, an incarnate lama from Tibet who currently lives in Ann Arbor. Occasionally, the talk is given by Rinpoche's longtime student Aura Glaser (former owner of Crazy Wisdom Bookstore) or a visiting guest speaker. *7:30 p.m., Jewel Heart Buddhist Center, 211 E. Ann. Free, but donations are accepted. 994–3387.*

★**Weekly Rehearsal: Sweet Adelines County Connection.** *Every Tuesday.* All women invited to drop in and listen to or participate in the weekly rehearsals of this local barbershop harmony chorus, formerly known as the Ann Arbor Sweet Adelines. *7:30–10:30 p.m., UAW Local 898 Union Hall, 8975 Textile Rd., Ypsilanti. Free to first-time visitors ($18 monthly dues for those who join). 995–4110.*

★**Weekly Rehearsal: Huron Valley Harmonizers Chapter of SPEBSQSA.** *Every Tuesday.* All male singers invited to attend the weekly rehearsals of this local barbershop harmony chorus. Visitors welcome. *7:30 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 1400 W. Stadium. Free to first-time visitors ($70 annual dues for those who join). Newcomers should call in advance for instructions. For information, call John Hancock at 769–8169.*

★**Weekly Meeting: Ypsilanti Community Band.** *Every Tuesday.* All musicians invited to join this 50-member community band directed by Ken Bowman. Music & stands provided. Visitors welcome. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Ypsilanti High School, 2095 Packard Rd. at Hewitt. Free. 485–4048, 482–7670.*

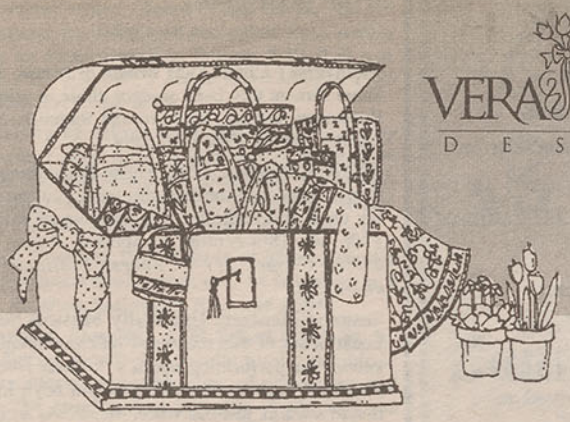
**Swing Dance Jam.** *Every Tuesday.* Swing dancing, including the jitterbug, the lindy hop, and other styles, to recorded music at an informal dance on a wooden dance floor. Experienced dancers share different moves. Beginners welcome; no partner necessary. *7:30–9:30 p.m., the barn at Gretchen's House V, 2625 Traver Rd. (off Nixon Rd.). $2. 973–2654.*

★**Ann Arbor Juggling Arts Club.** *Every Tuesday.* All invited to practive their juggling skills. Beginners welcome. *8–10 p.m., Community High School, 410 N. Division. (Parking available in the lot behind the school, N. Fifth Ave. at Detroit St.) Free. 913–5831.*

★**Video Planning Meeting: Peace InSight.** All invited to help with the production of this local TV series on peace and social justice issues, aired on cable channel 9. *8 p.m., Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main. Free. For information, call 761–7749.*

★**Open Mike Poetry Night: Barnes & Noble.** All poets invited to read their work. Prizes. Listeners welcome. Free coffee. *8–10 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

**Kevin Charles: Ann Arbor Poetry Slam.** Reading by this Kalamazoo poet whose work explores the endemic battle of the sexes in poems that are sometimes sexy, somewhat satiric, and always candid. He is editor of *Dirty Word* magazine and host of the Dirty Word poetry series in Kalamazoo. Charles's reading is preceded by open mike readings, which usually draw an engaging variety of accomplished poets and entertaining monologuists in verse, and a "poetry slam," in which poets read one of their works in each round of a tournament-style competition for a $10 prize and the heady adrenaline rush that accompanies victory. The evening concludes with a second open mike session following the featured reading. *8–11 p.m., Club Heidelberg (above the Heidelberg Restaurant), 215 N. Main. $3. For information, call Larry Francis at 426–3451.*

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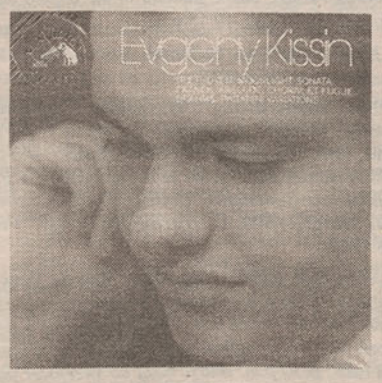


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★**University Choir: U-M School of Music.** Sandra Snow directs this U-M student choir in works by Beethoven, Diemer, Brunner, and Ramnish. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

★**EMU Collegium: EMU Music Department.** Anthony Iannaccone conducts this music-student chamber choir and orchestra in a program of works by 17th- and 18th-century composers. *8 p.m., Holy Trinity Chapel, 511 W. Forest, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**Susanne Mentzer: University Musical Society.** Local debut of this renowned mezzo-soprano, best known for performing opera's "trouser roles," in which she impersonates young men or boys. In addition to a warm, lustrous voice, Mentzer is acclaimed as a superb actress. "Anyone who has seen her perform knows that dramatic values are as important to her as musical ones," according to *Opera News*. Tonight's program includes works by Gluck, Haydn, Du Parc, and Satie. Following the recital, Mentzer speaks with the audience. *8 p.m., Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Michigan League. Tickets $15 & $25 in advance at Burton Tower and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–2538 or (800) 221–1229.*

**Ann Arbor Singles Ballroom Dancers.** *Every Tuesday.* Ballroom dancing to live music by Detroit-area bands. All singles invited; married couples also welcome. Refreshments. Preceded at 7 p.m. by a dance class ($3). Dress code observed. *8:30–11:30 p.m., Grotto Club of Ann Arbor, 2070 W. Stadium. $5 (members, $4). 971–2015.*

**FILMS**

**MTF. "Anatomy of a Murder"** (Otto Preminger, 1959). Suspense drama based on an actual murder case in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. James Stewart. Mich., 4:10 p.m. **"Victor/Victoria"** (Blake Edwards, 1982). Comedy about an actress who becomes a sensation posing as a man who's a female impersonator. Julie Andrews. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Welcome to Sarajevo"** (Michael Winterbottom, 1997). See 5 Sunday. Mich., 9:45 p.m.

## 8 WEDNESDAY

**Easter/Spring Bake Sale and Crafts Sale: Northeast Senior Center.** Sale of baked goods and arts and crafts made by local seniors. *8:30 a.m.–1 p.m., Domino's Farms, 30 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr. (off Earhart Rd. north of Plymouth Rd.). Free admission. 996–0070.*

★**"What's New in Lansing": Washtenaw Association of Retired School Personnel.** Talk by Michigan state representative **Liz Brater,** an Ann Arbor Democrat. Followed by a short business meeting and lunch ($9; reservations required) at 12:15 p.m. *11 a.m., Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Rd. Free. For lunch reservations, call Katherine Angell at 662–8364.*

★**Lenten Lunchtime Organ Recital Series: American Guild of Organists.** See 1 Wednesday. Today: Deborah Friauff, music director at the Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit. 12:15 p.m.

★**U-M Baseball vs. Oakland.** *3 p.m., Ray Fisher Stadium. Free. 764–0247.*

★**"New Voices Rising": Washtenaw Community College.** Monthly performance in which WCC students, staff, and guests offer dance, theater, and dramatic readings on a theme to be announced. *4 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Theater, Liberal Arts Bldg., 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 973–3300.*

★**"West Side Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** *Every Wednesday beginning April 8.* Slow/moderate-paced ride, 22–25 miles, and a slow-paced ride, 12–17 miles, to the Dexter Dairy Queen and back. *6:30 p.m. sharp, meet at Sweepster parking lot, 2800 N. Zeeb Rd. Free. 426–5116 (longer ride), 665–4552 (shorter ride), 913–9851 (general information).*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Magic Club.** All amateur and professional magicians invited to an evening of socializing and discussion of the magical arts. *7 p.m., Domino's Farms Lobby G, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr. (off Earhart Rd. north of Plymouth Rd.). Free. For information, call Harry Colestock at 663–5257.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Trout Unlimited Monthly Meeting.** Speaker and topic to be announced. Also, a fly swap. *7 p.m., Community High School, 401 N. Division. Free. 665–7610, 761–9200.*

★**Open Class in Wicca: Magical Education Council of Ann Arbor.** *April 8 & 22.* Kami Landy offers beginning instruction in the art of Wicca, also known as witchcraft. *7 p.m., location to be announced. Free. 761–1137.*

★**Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** See 2 Thursday. 7 p.m.

★**Shamanic Journeys: Creation Spirituality.** *Every Wednesday (except April 1).* Using special postures, participants enter a meditative state to the beat of a shaman's drum and discuss their experiences afterward. *7:30 p.m., Inter-Cooperative Council Education Center, 1522 Hill St. (in the carriage house behind the co-op buildings). Free. 665–3522.*

★**"Lower School Introductory Evening": Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor.** A chance to tour the Rudolf Steiner School and meet faculty and parents of children enrolled in this alternative school for kindergarten through 8th grade. Refreshments. *7:30 p.m., Rudolf Steiner School, 2775 Newport Rd. Free. 995–4141.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Arrow Communication Association Amateur Radio Club.** All invited to discuss ham radio activities and issues. This month's topic: **"Packet Radio"** (sending E-mails via amateur radio). *7:30–9:30 p.m., Clonlara School, 1289 Jewett. Free to visitors ($20 annual dues). 665–6616.*

★**"Everything You Want to Know About Orchids": Ann Arbor Garden Club Monthly Meeting.** Talk by master gardener Cheryl Helvey. Preceded by a tour of the Matthaei greenhouse at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments. *7:30 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 662–7211.*

★**Channeled Spiritual Discussion Group: Deep Spring Center.** *April 8, 15, & 22.* All invited to share their spiritual and metaphysical questions with others with similar interests. The evening is led by Aaron, a "being of light" channeled by Barbara Brodsky. Aaron offers a talk and answers personal and universal questions. All invited. *7:30 p.m., 3455 Charing Cross Rd. (off Packard just west of US-23). Free, but donations are accepted. 971–3455.*

★**"The W. J. Beal Botanical Garden and Its Contribution to the Native Plant Movement": Michigan Chapter of Wild Ones.** Talk by MSU Beal Botanical Garden botanist Elaine Chittenden. *7:30 p.m., Huron High School, room 2100 (west entrance, under the arch). Free. For information, call Bob Grese at 763–0645 or Dave Mindell at 996–3266.*

★**History Reading Group: Barnes & Noble.** EMU history professor Mike Homel leads a discussion of Roger Biles's *Richard R. Daley: Politics, Race, & the Governing of Chicago. 7:30 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

★**"Life by the Numbers" Mathematics Party: Washtenaw Community College.** All invited to view the first of a 7-part PBS series on the wonders of math. This episode examines the critical role of math in sports, work, education, virtual reality, and life in general. Refreshments. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Liberal Arts & Science Bldg. Lecture Hall 3, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 973–3300.*

★**Donald Antrim: Borders Books and Music.** This celebrated novelist from Brooklyn, N.Y., reads from his new book, *The Hundred Brothers,* a delightfully offbeat tale about 100 eccentric brothers vying for control of their family estate. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Scandinavian Folk Dancing: Multicultural Folk Arts Center.** *April 8 & 22.* Traditional turning couple dances, mainly from Sweden and Norway, including hambo, schottis, Boda polska, and Telespringar. All dances taught by Judy Barlas and Bruce Sagan; no partner necessary. Hard-soled shoes strongly recommended. Occasional live music on traditional instruments. All invited. *8–10:30 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $4. 327–3636.*

★**Thylias Moss: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** This award-winning poet, a U-M creative writing instructor, reads from *Last Chance for the Tarzan Holler,* her recently published collection that critic Harold Bloom calls "profound and disturbing." Moss is known for eloquent, sharp-humored explorations of the dark side of life, including her sometimes painful experiences as an African-American. Poet Charles Simic calls Moss "a visionary storyteller" and "a major figure in contemporary American poetry." Following the reading, Moss signs copies of her books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**EMU Percussion Ensemble: EMU Music Department.** John Dorsey directs this EMU music-student ensemble in a program to be announced. *8 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

★**Arts Chorale: U-M School of Music.** David Fryling directs this U-M student chorus in music by Britten, Copland, DeLasso, Haydn, Effinger, Farrow, Palestrina, and Schubert. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**Kevin Mahogany: Prism Productions.** *April 8 &*

9. Ann Arbor debut of this acclaimed young jazz singer from Kansas City who was named Vocalist of the Year in *Jazziz* magazine's 1996 readers' poll. Mahogany possesses a warm, rich voice, and his inventive postbop stylings blend gospel, soul, and blues flavors. His recently released 2nd CD, *Another Time, Another Place*, is a collection of standards and originals that's highlighted by a playful duet with country singer Randy Travis on "I Believe She Was Talkin' 'Bout Me." He performs with an ensemble that includes guitarist Dave Stryker, pianist James Weidman, bassist Tyrone Clark, and local drummer Gerald Cleaver. *8 & 10:30 p.m., Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley. Tickets $15 in advance at Schoolkids', the Michigan Union Ticket Office, and all other Ticketmaster outlets; $17 at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Totally Unrehearsed Theater": Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 1 Wednesday. 8:30 p.m.

FILMS

**Goethe-Institut. "Marianne and Juliane"** (Margarethe von Trotta, 1981). Superb drama about the relationship between two sisters, one a feminist editor, the other a political terrorist. German, subtitles. FREE. AH-A, 7 p.m. **U-M Architecture Students Film Society. "Play Time"** (Jacques Tati, 1967). *See review, p. 67.* Absurdist comedy about a man wandering through an unfamiliar Paris of steel and glass skyscrapers in an attempt to keep an appointment. French, subtitles. FREE. Art & Architecture Auditorium, North Campus, 8:30 p.m. **U-M Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies. "Saint Clara"** (Uri Sivan & Ari Fulman, 1996). Drama about a group of Israeli junior high students who find an unlikely heroine in a pretty Russian emigre with psychic powers. Hebrew & Russian, subtitles. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Lawrence of Arabia"** (David Lean, 1962). 70mm version of this epic drama. Peter O'Toole. Mich., 9 p.m.

## 9 THURSDAY

★**Monthly Meeting: American Association of Retired Persons.** Speaker and topic to be announced. Meeting is open to anyone age 50 or older. *1:30 p.m., Pittsfield Twp. Hall, S. State at Ellsworth. Free. 663–5429.*

★**Opera Workshop: U-M School of Music.** See 2 Thursday. 5 p.m.

★**"Welcome II the Terrordome": U-M Institute for the Humanities.** *See review, p. 71.* This fast-paced 1994 action thriller set in a decaying and racially segregated city of the near future is the feature debut of the acclaimed young Anglo-Nigerian filmmaker **Ngozi Onwurah,** who is on hand to discuss her work following the screening. *5:30 p.m., Michigan Theater. Free. 936–3518.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Huron Land Use Alliance.** All invited to discuss ways to promote preservation of open space and the development of livable communities in Washtenaw County. *7–9 p.m., NEW Center, 1100 N. Main. Free. 769–5123.*

★**"Book Lovers Guide to the Internet": Ann Arbor District Library.** Introduction to a variety of websites of interest to readers. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Cage Bird Club.** Club members demonstrate recipes for making **"Mineral Blocks"** for your bird. Refreshments. Bring your bird. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor Community Center, 625 N. Main. Free. (313) 928–4270.*

**"Beer Tasting: Micro Madness": Arbor Brewing Company.** A chance to sample and learn about 18–24 different beers from microbreweries around the country. Also, a drawing for beer-related prizes. The price of admission includes unlimited beer sampling and a light appetizer buffet. *7–9 p.m., Arbor Brewing Company, 114 E. Washington. Tickets $20 in advance and (if available) at the door. 213–1393.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Experimental Aircraft Association.** Program to be announced. All who share an interest in aircraft and aviation techniques invited. *7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Airport Terminal Bldg., 801 Airport Dr. (off S. State just south of I-94). Free. For information, call George Hunt at 475–1553.*

★**"Romance Readers Group": Barnes & Noble.** All invited to discuss Penelope Stratton's *The Devil's Bride. 7:30 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

★**"Information Architecture for the World Wide Web": Borders Books and Music.** Lou Rosenfeld and Peter Morville of the local Argus Associates discuss their book on how to design and maintain websites. Free book and T-shirt giveaways. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**"Songwriters Open Mike": Oz's Music.** All songwriters invited. Hosted by Jim Novak. The performances are videotaped and edited for a weekly show on cable channel 9, Fridays, 8:30–9:30 p.m. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Oz's Music Environment, 1920 Packard. Free. 662–8283.*

★**Weekly Meeting: U-M Sailing Club.** *Every Thursday (except April 2).* Introductory presentation on sailing, discussion, and socializing. All invited. *7:45 p.m., 120 Dennison Bldg., 501 East University. Free. 426–0920. Clubhouse phone: 426–4299.*

★**Jazz Combos: U-M School of Music.** Donald Walden directs small groups of U-M jazz students. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Gamelan Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** Judith Becker directs this popular local ensemble in the traditional percussive music of central Java and Bali. The gamelan is an assembly of 50 gongs and metallophones, drums, strings, flutes, xylophone, and singers. The music is a gorgeous concatenation of nonharmonic melodies built on cycles marked by the largest gong and subdivided by the other instruments. Founded in 1966, the U-M's Gamelan Ensemble is one of the oldest in the U.S. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**Alex Graham Quartet: Kerrytown Concert House.** A 1989 Community High grad, alto saxophonist Graham is known for his distinctively bright, clear tone and his inventive rhythmic and harmonic sense. He currently lives in New York City, where, having studied at the New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music with Cecil McBee and other jazz notables, he is establishing himself as a post-bebop musician. Recently he has teamed up with some of New York's best young jazz artists, including guitarist Peter Bernstein and pianist Brad Mehldau, as well as the American Jazz Orchestra and Latin star Jose Feliciano. He has released a CD, *Countdown,* on the local Schoolkids' label, of which David Bratton of *5/4 Magazine* writes, "In a rendition of 'Countdown' that would make even Coltrane raise an appreciative eyebrow . . . Graham's alto becomes a device to channel the spirit of Trane as his notes jump through the hoops." A second CD is due out this year. His quartet tonight includes several stars of the local jazz scene—pianist **Rick Roe,** bassist **Rodney Whitaker,** and drummer **Joe Strasser.** *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $15 & $10 (students, $5). Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

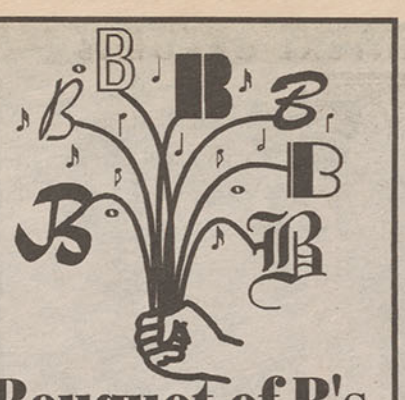
**John Hammond: The Ark/Prism Productions.** Critics rate this longtime local favorite among the best interpreters of country blues masters like Robert Johnson, Blind Boy Fuller, and Sleepy John Estes. Like them, he performs solo, accompanying himself on blues harp and various guitars, including a Martin 6-string, a National Steel Standard, and a dobro. Hammond's singing, always compelling, has grown more credible as the imitatively stylized attack of his mid-60s recordings has gradually given way to a more authentic, natural-voiced approach to his classic material. "John Hammond plays blues like a locomotive," says *Washington Post* reviewer Eve Zibart, "all rhythmic pumping underneath and steam on top." Opening act is **Little Charlie & the Nightcats,** a San Francisco–based quartet that plays classic roughhousing, greaseball jump blues, R&B, and rockabilly. Led by Charles "Little Charlie" Baty, a superb guitar stylist whose varied influences range from Charlie Christian to Buddy Guy, the Nighthawks also feature blues harpist Rick Estrin, who is also the band's lead singer and songwriter. The band has released several Alligator CDs, including the recent greatest hits package, *Deluxe Edition. 8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $15 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; $18 at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**Kevin Mahogany: Prism Productions.** See 8 Wednesday. 8 & 10:30 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** *April 9–12 & 16–18.* EMU drama professor Pirooz Aghssa directs David Mamet's 1977 drama, a piercing parable of modern romance as an artful evasion of intimacy. A young man and woman spending a night in his family's cabin experience first passion and then the disillusionment that comes with realizing how separate they remain. The main action follows their efforts to reach some sort of mutual accommodation without ever really disclosing themselves to each other. Stars Pam Cardell and Scott Screws. *8 p.m., Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. Free. Tickets $10 (students & seniors, $8) in advance by reservation and at the door. 747–9114.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Profes-**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**sional Premiere Series.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Glen Super: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** *April 9–11.* Ann Arbor debut of this East Coast comic who peppers his stories about the indignities of everyday life with periodic barrages of hilarious announcements shouted through a bullhorn. Preceded by two opening acts. Alcohol is served. *8:30 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $9 (Thursday) & $12 (Friday & Saturday) in advance and at the door. Group rates and other discounts available. 996–9080.*

**Huffamoose: Prism Productions.** Alternative sextet from Philadelphia whose music blends rock and country with big band and avant-garde jazz. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $7 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; $9 at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

**FILMS**

**U-M Institute for the Humanities. "Welcome II the Terrordome"** (Ngozi Onwurah, 1994). See Events listing above. FREE. Mich., 5:30 p.m. **"Welcome to Sarajevo"** (Michael Winterbottom, 1997). See 5 Sunday. Mich., 7:45 p.m.

## 10 FRIDAY

**Monthly Meeting: Ikebana International.** All invited to learn about the Japanese art of floral arrangement. Today, members demonstrate a Japanese tea ceremony and Chabana (tea flower arrangements). *1 p.m., Geddes Lake Town Homes clubhouse, 3000 Lakehaven. $5 (members, free). 930–1543.*

**U-M Baseball vs. Minnesota.** *April 10, 11, & 12.* The weekend series includes a single game today, a doubleheader tomorrow, and a single game Sunday. *3 p.m. (April 10) & 1 p.m. (April 11 & 12), Ray Fisher Stadium. $3 (youths under 18, $1; U-M students with ID, free). 764–0247.*

★**Billy Collins: U-M English Department/Borders Books and Music.** This highly regarded poet is known for deftly funny yet penetrating verse. Critic Edward Hirsch calls Collins "an American original—a metaphysical poet with a funny bone and a sly, questioning intelligence." His latest collection, *Picnic, Lightning*, offers assorted musings on everything from a line in Nabokov's *Lolita* (the inspiration for the title poem) to a contemplation of a Victoria's Secret catalog. Also, Collins reads tomorrow at Borders (see 11 Saturday listing). *4 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Free. 764–6296.*

★**Pathwork Lecture/Discussion Evening: Great Lakes Pathwork.** All invited to discuss lectures channeled by the late Eva Pierrakos, founder of the spiritual and psychological discipline known as the Pathwork. Tonight: **Lecture 192: "Real and False Needs and Their Relationship to Man's State of Consciousness."** *7–9 p.m., 2518 Jade Ct. (off S. Maple, 2 blocks north of Scio Church Rd.). Free. 665–6231, 769–0268.*

★**Good Friday Concert.** A concert performance of the church Tenebrae service, featuring Haydn's set of Passion sonatas, *Seven Last Words of Christ.* Performers include baritone Richard Knapp, pianist Edward Wyman, and a string, wind, and vocal ensemble directed by George Dentel. *7 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Free; donations accepted. 769–2999.*

★**"2nd Friday Discussion": Older Lesbians Organizing.** All invited to join a discussion on **"Historic Sites."** Newcomers welcome. Also, OLO is organizing a Sunday brunch at Hidden Lake Gardens on April 26 (call 677–4826 for details). *7:30 p.m., Common Language Bookstore, 215 S. Fourth Ave. Free. 482–2996.*

★**"A Meditation on the Passion of Christ with Carols": St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.** St. Andrew's music director Tom Strode directs the church choir in a Good Friday program that includes a plainsong chant of the Gospel Passion story, the spiritual "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord," and Antonio Lotti's exquisite 8-part setting of the Crucifixus. *7:30 p.m., St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division. Free. 663–0518.*

★**"Lenten Evensong and Concert": First Presbyterian Church Sacred Music Series.** First Presbyterian music director Susan Wilburn conducts the church's Sine Nomine Singers and String Quintet in Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater. 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Free. 662–4466.*

★**Advanced Study Group: Rudolf Steiner Study Circle of Ann Arbor.** *April 10 & 24.* All invited to join this ongoing study group to discuss Rudolf Steiner's book of lectures on *Karmic Relationships, Vols. II & III.* Familiarity with Steiner's basic ideas required. The group meets on occasional Fridays. *8–9:30 p.m., 33 Ridgeway (one block east of the Arb entrance on Geddes). Free. 662–6398.*

**"Banff Festival of Mountain Films": U-M Recreational Sports Outdoor Adventures.** This "Best of the Festival" tour features the best mountain and outdoor adventure films from the 1997 edition of the famous 3-day festival held every November in Banff, a small town in the Canadian Rockies. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. $6 (students, $4). 763–4560.*

**Dawn Dance Weekend: Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance/Ann Arbor Dawn Dance Committee.** *April 10–12.* A weekend of spring dance events to live music by many wonderful musicians, including Larry Unger and Ginny Snowe of Uncle Gizmo, U.S. national Scottish fiddle champion Elke Baker, and the band Jive at Five. Callers are Kathy Anderson and Linda Leslie. Tonight: an **Advanced Contra Dance.** Dancers should know all figures and be able to keep up with calls without a walk-through. *8–11:30 p.m., Scarlett Middle School, 3300 Lorraine (off Platt south of Packard). Tonight's dance: $12. Saturday: music & dance sessions, $10; dinner, $8; evening dance, $20. Sunday: shape note singing, free; brunch: $7; afternoon dance, $10. Tickets available in advance and at the door; discounts on all events for those who register by April 7. Preregistration required for meals. 665–8863.*

**Special Consensus: The Ark.** This ace bluegrass band from Illinois led by banjoist Greg Cahill is known for high-energy, foot-stomping shows. Their repertoire includes traditional standards, originals, and contemporary tunes. Opening act is the veteran local bluegrass band, the **RFD Boys.** *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $10 (members, students, & seniors, $9) at the door only. 761–1451.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Professional Premiere Series.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

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**FILMS**

**CCS. "Frozen"** (Wu Ming, 1997). In this rare look at the avant-garde underground in Beijing, a young performance artist decides to makes his own suicide his last work of art. He plans to melt a block of ice with his own body heat and die of hypothermia to protest the coldness of society. Mandarin, subtitles. FREE. Children under 12 not admitted. AH-A, 8 p.m. **MTF. "Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). *April 10–16.* Adaptation of Virginia Woolf's landmark novel about a woman reflecting on her life. Vanessa Redgrave. Mich., 7 & 9 p.m. **"Boogie Nights"** (Paul Thomas Anderson, 1997). *April 10 & 11.* Tragicomedy about life in the porn industry in the 1970s. Burt Reynolds, Mark Wahlberg. Mich., 11 p.m.

## 11 SATURDAY

★**"Huron River Cleanup Days": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** *April 11 & 25.* All invited to help clean up debris along the banks of the Huron from Barton Creek to Gallup Park. Bring your own canoe or use one of the city's. *9 a.m.–noon, Gallup Park canoe livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). Free. 662–9319.*

**Easter Egg Hunt: Domino's Farms.** The popular Domino's petting farm opens today, with animal shows, hayrides, a clown, stunt kite team demonstrations, and more. Easter egg hunt at 11 a.m. Proceeds donated to Easter Seals. *9 a.m. (gates open), Domino's Farms, 30 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr. (off Earhart Rd. north of Plymouth Rd.). $3 (children under 12, $2.50; children under 2, free). 930–5032.*

★**Work Day: Nichols Arboretum.** All invited to join this monthly outing to combat invasive shrubs in an ongoing effort to restore savanna-like conditions around the Arb's Dow Field prairie. Concludes with a discussion of prairie ecosystems and restoration techniques. Bring clippers and work gloves. Held rain or shine. *9 a.m.–noon. Meet on the north side of Dow Field, between Edison Rd. and the railroad tracks. Free. 763–5832, 763–0645.*

**Community Garage Sale: Recycle Ann Arbor.** All invited to sell their excess & unwanted stuff. Also, a chance to check out the ReUse Center's stock of salvaged construction, remodeling, and demolition waste. *9 a.m.–3 p.m., RAA ReUse Center, 2420 South Industrial. Free admission. Reservations for*

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#### The University Symphony tackles Mahler

**Ken Kiesler.**

The first time I heard the University Symphony, the conductor was Gustav Meier and the work was Mahler's First Symphony. They did the best they could: Meier sweated, the players sweated, the trumpets even stood up for the final peroration (which *is* in the score). Even so, it didn't amount to much more than a competent performance by a student orchestra, albeit one led by one of the best teaching conductors the U-M ever had.

The next time I heard the USO play Mahler, the conductor was Ken Kiesler—Meier's successor—and the work was the Fifth Symphony. Again, they did the best they could: Kiesler gestured, the players perspired, and everybody ended at the same time. Given that the work was technically beyond even the New York Philharmonic a scant fifty years ago, that was a lot better than I expected. Still, it was only a slightly more than competent performance of a much harder Mahler symphony.

The next time I will hear the USO play Mahler—Tuesday, April 21—the conductor will again be Kiesler, but this time the work will be the Second Symphony, aka the "Resurrection." It's called the "Resurrection" because it begins with one of the biggest orchestral funeral marches ever composed and ends with a musical version of the Apocalypse. In Mahler's cosmology, Resurrection does not entail judgment: nobody is damned, everybody is saved, and all is forgiven.

We'll hear if the USO is as lucky. Mahler's Second does not have as many exposed passages for soloists as his Fifth, but it's got everything else that makes Mahler so difficult for orchestras to play. First, it's really, really long: a slow performance takes about eighty minutes and Bernstein's was thirteen minutes longer than that. Second, it's really, really loud: the opening movement is incredibly loud, and the last movement even louder. Third, it's really, really hard: the players are never in comfortable positions for long—the parts are at the top or at the bottom of the instrument, or anywhere other than where the musicians are accustomed to playing.

Mahler's Second is also one heck of a difficult piece to conduct: there are more tempo and dynamic changes in this one piece than in all of Haydn's symphonies put together. And it's nearly impossible to hold together. Making a radiant whole out of a work that lasts nearly forever and has more moving parts than a Ford factory has been beyond all but a few conductors. It has a huge chorus, plus soloists, plus an organ, plus an offstage brass band. In almost every technical sense, Mahler's Second is even bigger than Beethoven's Ninth.

All of this adds up to another rigorous test for Kiesler and the USO. It's worth the trouble: after Beethoven's Ninth, Mahler's Second is one of the greatest symphonies of all time. The chance to hear it live is not to be missed. —*Jim Leonard*

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★**Materials Recovery Facility Monthly Open House: Ann Arbor Solid Waste Department.** *April 11 & 14.* Guided tours of the city's new recycling and trash disposal center. Also, today only, a visit from **Greta the Garbage Woman** (10:30–11:30 a.m.), the popular environmental educator from the Jackson Dahlem Environmental Center. *10 a.m.–noon (April 11) & 1–4 p.m. (April 14), Materials Recovery Facility, 4120 Platt Rd. Free. 994–2807.*

★**Biannual African Violet Show and Sale: Michigan African Violet Society.** *April 11 & 12.* Show and sale of hundreds of African violets representing more than 50 varieties. Experts are on hand to offer advice on cultivation. *10 a.m.–4 p.m. (April 11) & 11 a.m.–4 p.m. (April 12), U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free admission. 998–7061.*

**"Wetlands by Canoe": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** Naturalist Carol Clements leads a canoe trip to explore the wetlands along the Huron River. Refreshments. *10 a.m.–noon, Gallup Park canoe livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). $7.50 ($12 per couple). Preregistration required. 662–9319.*

**"Beginners Guide to the World Wide Web": Ann Arbor District Library.** *April 11, 25, 27, & 28.* A hands-on introduction to web basics, including how to use browsing software and other Internet features. Open to all AADL cardholders. *Note:* Free versions of this class (preregistration required), with less hands-on opportunity, are offered at the West (April 1, 8:30 a.m.), and Loving (April 8, 7 p.m., & April 23, 3 p.m.) branches. Also, a free demonstration on web basics (no registration required) is offered at the main library at 7 p.m. on April 20. *11 a.m. (April 11 & 25) & 7 p.m. (April 27 & 28), Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**"Writing Workshop for Teens": Ann Arbor District Library.** Local teens are invited to explore prose, drama, essay, and journal writing with local writer Carolyn Stone. *11 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Muehlig Room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**"Clifford the Big Red Dog": Barnes & Noble.** Storytime featuring a visit from the hero of Norman Bridwell's popular children's book. *11 a.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

★**Graceann Warn Studio Tour: New Art League "Second Saturday Morning" Series.** All invited to tour the home studio of this local assemblage artist. *11 a.m., 1524 Strieter Rd. (off Scio Church Rd.). Free. 647–2064.*

★**"The Diary of One Who Vanished": U-M School of Music.** Award-winning tenor **Mark Beudert,** a U-M music school alum, is featured in Leos Janacek's song cycle about a peasant and his romantic obsession with a Gypsy girl. The Czech text is from an anonymous diary found in Moravia


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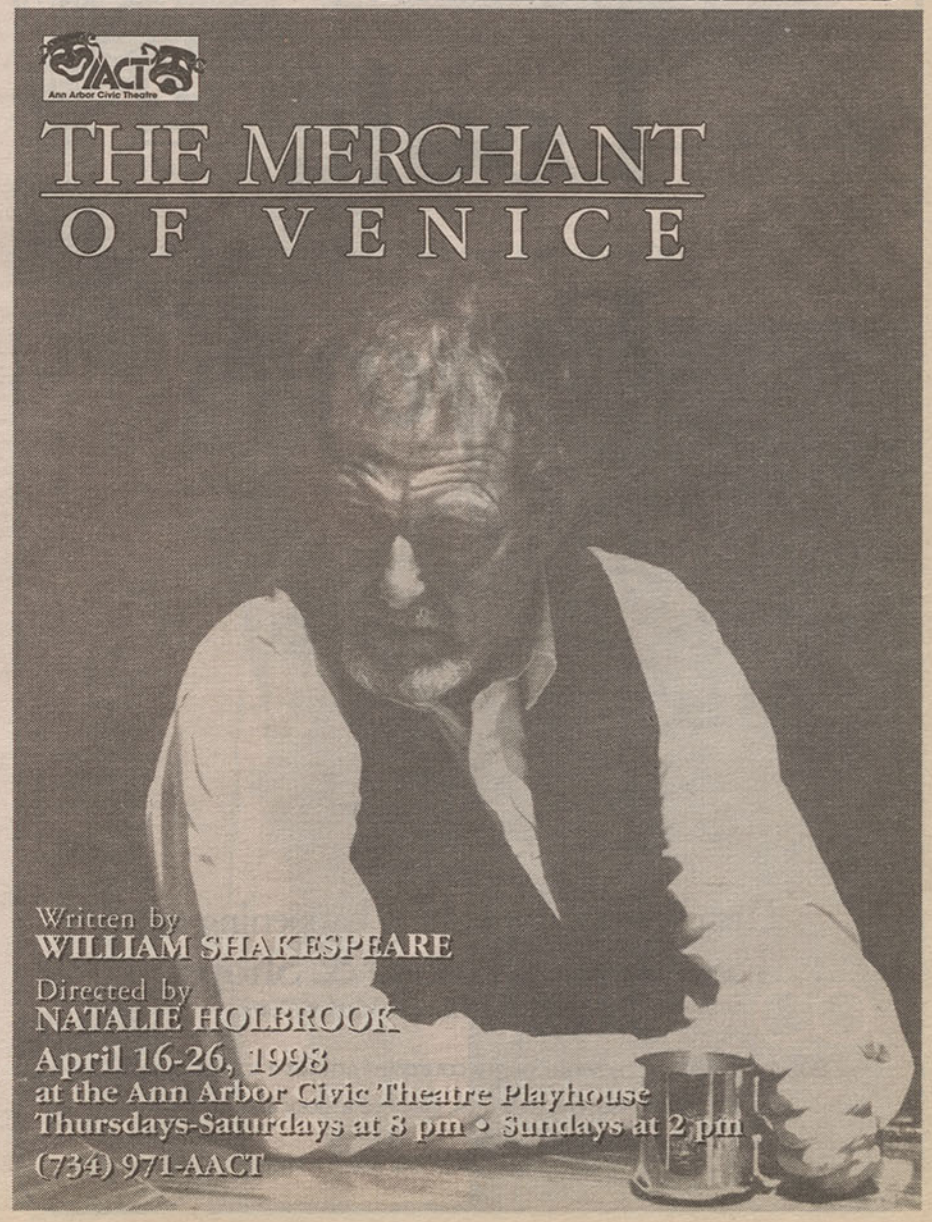

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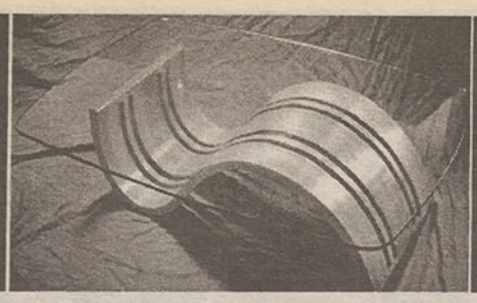

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and attributed to a farmer's son who had mysteriously disappeared. Other performers are mezzo-sopranos Margaret Bragle and Elizabeth Warner and sopranos Diba Alvi and Kate Fitzpatrick. Pianist is U-M opera workshop coach Timothy Cheek. *1 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy: Borders Books and Music.** Live in-store performance by this nouveau swing band, best known for its performance on the soundtrack of the movie *Swingers*. The group's hits include "You & Me & the Bottle Makes Three Tonight." *1 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Dawn Dance Weekend: Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance/Ann Arbor Dawn Dance Committee.** See 10 Friday. Today: music and dance sessions, including a free jam session for singers, instrumentalists, and storytellers (1–5:15 p.m.); a catered dinner (5:15 p.m.); and a dance for all levels of experience (6:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m.).

★**Billy Collins: Borders Books and Music.** Reading by this celebrated poet (see 10 Friday). *4 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**"Animania": U-M Japanese Animation Film Society.** Monthly 6-hour festival of Japanese animated films and TV cartoons. This month's selections: *Irresponsible Captain Tylor*, the *Shin-KOR Movie, Shamanic Princess, Vision of Escaflowne*, and *End of Evangelion*. Japanese, subtitles. *U-M campus admission policy:* No one under 18 admitted without an adult. *5–11 p.m., Modern Languages Bldg. Auditorium 3, 812 E. Washington at Thayer. Free. For more information, E-mail animania@umich.edu, or visit the website at www.umich.edu/~animania.*

**"Ballroom Dancing Night": Pittsfield Township Parks and Recreation Department.** Ballroom dancing from waltzes to rumbas, with taped music from the 40s through the 80s. Preceded by an introduction to basic dance steps and ballroom dancing styles by Sue Baries, Washtenaw County's best-known ballroom dance instructor. All invited, singles as well as couples. Refreshments. *7–8 p.m. (instruction), 8–10:30 p.m. (dancing), Pittsfield Twp. Hall, S. State at Ellsworth. $3. 996–3056.*

★**Holiday Saturday Easter Vigil: Canterbury House.** An alternative Episcopal worship service with live music by Quartex (see Jazz Mass listing on 5 Sunday). *7:30 p.m., Canterbury House, 721 E. Huron St. Free; offering taken. 665–0606.*

**"Mr. B's 1st Annual Blues & Boogie Piano Orgy": The Ark.** Ann Arbor's own world-renowned blues pianist, Mark "Mr. B" Braun, returns from Paris with two French pianists, **Jean-Pierre Bertrand** and **Philippe LeJeune,** for an evening of blues and boogie-woogie piano. Also joining the festivities is the veteran Detroit blues pianist **Bob Seeley.** *7:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $17.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**The Abyssinian String Quartet: Fourth Avenue Gallery.** The local quartet of violinists Christine Oldenburg and Lani Denison, violist Julianne Zinn, and cellist Stefan Koch perform Brahms's String Quartet No. 2 in A minor and Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 8 in C minor. Opening act is classical guitarist **Geoff Esty.** *8 p.m., Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. $8 (seniors & children 12 & under, free). 327–2041.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 3 & 8 p.m.

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Professional Premiere Series.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** See 9 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Glen Super: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 9 Thursday. 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.

**FILMS**

**U-M Japanese Animation Film Society. "Animania."** See Events listing above. FREE. MLB 3; 5–11 p.m. **MTF. "Taste of Cherry"** (Abbas Kiarostami, 1997). See 6 Monday. Mich., 5 p.m. **"Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 7 & 9 p.m. **"Boogie Nights"** (Paul Thomas Anderson, 1997). See 10 Friday. 11 p.m.

## 12 SUNDAY (Easter)

★**Island Lake Warm-Up Hike: Sierra Club.** All invited to join this annual rite of spring, a 14-mile hike (with 7-mile option) in the Island Lake State Recreation Area. Bring trash bags to pick up garbage along the trail. *9 a.m. Meet at Ann Arbor City Hall parking lot to carpool. Free. 429–0671.*

★**"Sharon Hollow Bunny Dodger Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** Fast/moderate-paced 75-mile and slow-paced 40-mile rides to Brooklyn or Manchester. Also, a slow-paced 40-mile ride to the same destination leaves at 10 a.m. from the municipal parking lot on Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. *9 a.m., meet at Wheeler Park, N. Fourth Ave. at Depot St. Free. (248) 334–1394 (75-mile ride), 663–4726 (40-mile ride), 913–9851 (general information).*

**Cassini Ensemble: Kerrytown Concert House.** This polished local chamber ensemble of professional area musicians performs with Tibetan dancers and other performers to be announced in a concert to benefit Jewel Heart Tibetan Buddhist Center. Refreshments. *11 a.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $15 (students & seniors, $10). Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**Dawn Dance Weekend: Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance/Ann Arbor Dawn Dance Committee.** See 10 Friday. Today: shape note singing led by Glen Morningstar (11 a.m.); a catered brunch (12:30 p.m.); and an afternoon dance for all levels (1:30–4 p.m.) *Note:* The **Ann Arbor Sacred Harp,** which ordinarily would hold its monthly sing this afternoon at the Ark, instead will join this morning's sing.

**Kids' Open Mike: Oz's Music.** Kids of all ages and all musical abilities are invited to play, sing, or just observe. *1 p.m., Oz's Music Environment, 1920 Packard. Minimum donation: 25¢. Call ahead to reserve a space. 662–8283.*

**"Mysterious Creatures of the Spring Pond": Waterloo Natural History Association.** Naturalist Tom Hodgson discusses the little-known but fascinating critters that inhabit the temporary ponds of spring. He also shows how to make a "pour-a-pond": i.e., how to scoop up one of these temporary ponds and bring it (and its inhabitants) indoors. *2–3 p.m., Gerald E. Eddy Geology Center, Bush Rd., Chelsea. For directions, see 5 Sunday "Bear Country" listing. $2 (families, $5; WNHA members, free). Preregistration required. $4 vehicle entry fee, unless you already have a state motor vehicle permit ($20 per year). 475–3170.*

**"Life in Refusal": Performance Network Professional Premiere Series.** See 2 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"Antigone": U-M Theater Department.** See 2 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** See 9 Thursday. 2 & 7 p.m.

**Informal Dance Party: Grand Traditions Vintage Dance Academy.** An introduction to vintage and traditional dances, including waltz, tango, swing, English country, and more to recorded music. All levels welcome. No partner required. Prior to the dance, Ontario dance expert Cathy Stephens offers an advanced workshop on the **Zweifacher,** a challenging waltz and pivot game (1–3 p.m.). *3–5 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $5 (dance or workshop only), $7.50 (dance & workshop). 429–0014.*

★**"Easter Festival": Great Lakes Branch of the Anthroposophical Society of America.** The program includes group singing, musical entertainment, telling of an Easter legend, and a lecture on Easter. Also, an egg hunt and puppet show for kids. The program concludes with a potluck dinner. *3 p.m., Rudolf Steiner House, 1923 Geddes Ave. Free. If you plan to bring children or teens, call 761–8015 by April 5. To find out what to bring to the potluck, call 971–6217 or 761–4249.*

**FILMS**

**MTF. "Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 5 & 7 p.m. **"Taste of Cherry"** (Abbas Kiarostami, 1997). See 6 Monday. Mich., 9 p.m.

## 13 MONDAY

★**"Second Chance Week": Recycle Ann Arbor.** *April 13–18.* This week only, Recycle Ann Arbor is offering free pick-up of all unwanted reusable items—everything from appliances, building materials, and furniture to toys, tools, clothing, books, and other office and household goods. Items that cannot be sold at RAA's ReUse Center will be donated to other local nonprofit resale stores. *9 a.m.–5 p.m. Free. For a pick-up appointment, call 662–6288.*

★**Women's Book Group: Guild House.** *April 13 & 27.* All women invited to discuss a book on women's issues or by a woman writer to be announced. *Noon–1 p.m. Guild House, 802 Monroe at Oakland. Free. 662–5189.*

★**"Battle of Franklin, Tennessee": Ann Arbor Area Civil War Round Table.** Talk by club mem-

**Jazz percussionist Gerry Hemingway appears with his new quartet in the "Jazz at the Edge" series at Kerrytown Concert House, Sat., April 18.**

ber Tom Cartright. *7 p.m., St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5305 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 930–0617, 973–6273, or 973–1047.*

★**"Six Success Strategies for the Move-Up Home Buyer": The Buyer's Agent.** Real estate professionals offer tips on selling a current home while buying a new one. *7–8:30 p.m., The Buyer's Agent, 1900 W. Stadium. Free, but preregistration required. 662–6240.*

★**Biweekly Meeting: Working Writers Group.** *April 13 & 27.* All invited to join this group that provides support and critiques for writers interested in publishing their poetry, fiction, or nonfiction. Observers welcome. *7–9 p.m., 2910 Marshall. Free. For information, call Dale at 973–0776.*

★**"Saying Good-bye: You and Your Aging Parents": Borders Books and Music.** Clinical psychologist David Klein discusses his book on dealing with the aging and eventual death of parents. *7 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**"The Detroit Observatory": U-M Sink Alumnae Club.** Talk by Sandy Whitesell, chair of the Detroit Observatory Advisory Group. All women invited. *7:30 p.m., Jameson residence, 2876 N. Maple. Free. 662–8938.*

★**Public Education Meeting: Washtenaw County Alliance for the Mentally Ill.** Speaker and topic to be announced. Coffee & cookies. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Temple Beth Emeth/St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 2309 Packard. Free. For information about tonight's program or about support groups for siblings and other relatives of the mentally ill, call 994–6611.*

★**"The Surprising Relevance of Mathematics": U-M Women's Research Club.** Talk by U-M chemistry professor emeritus S. M. Blinder. (Follows the club's annual members-only banquet.) All invited. *8 p.m., Mountain Jack's restaurant, 300 S. Maple Rd. Free. 662–8067.*

★**"Health and Chiropractic": Network Chiropractic Center.** *April 13 & 27.* A series of talks by local chiropractor Rob Koliner. Tonight: **"The Relationship of Posture to Consciousness."** Also this month: **"Understanding the Information Highway of the Body"** (April 27). *8 p.m., Network Chiropractic Center, 1210 N. Maple Rd. at Miller. Free. Reservations requested. 761–5908.*

★**"Manufacturing Confucianism: Chinese Traditions and Universal Civilization": Shaman Drum Bookshop.** University of Colorado Chinese history professor Lionel Jensen discusses his startling new study, which argues that what we know as Confucianism was invented by Jesuit missionaries. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**Composers Forum: U-M School of Music.** U-M music students perform their original works. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Saxophone Studio: U-M School of Music.** Students of U-M saxophone professor Donald Sinta perform a variety of chamber and solo works. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**Evgeny Kissin: University Musical Society.** Ann Arbor debut of this world-renowned Russian pianist. A child prodigy who could sing back entire Bach fugues at the age of 11 months, Kissin began playing the piano at the age of 2, and came to international attention in 1984 when he performed with the Moscow State Philharmonic at the age of 12. He has blossomed into a mature talent and seems destined to take his piace in the succession of larger-than-life talents that includes Rubinstein and Horowitz. "Kissin's performances are not intellectually conceived intrepretations, like those of most modern performers, but magnificent scenes of inspiration that materialize before the audience's very eyes," observes *New Yorker* writer Andrew Solomon. Program: Beethoven's Sonata No. 28, Brahms's *Four Pieces,* and Liszt's Sonata in B Minor. Preceded by a **Camerata Dinner** at 6 p.m. at the U-M Alumni Center ($25; call for reservations). *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Tickets $20–$50 in advance at Burton Tower and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–2538 or (800) 221–1229.*

**Merl Saunders & the Rainforest Band: Prism Productions.** Funky jam-oriented blues-rock with jazz chops and a strong worldbeat flavor by this San Francisco–based ensemble led by singer-keyboardist Saunders, a versatile veteran whose credits include the theme for *Fritz the Cat* and other film & TV scores. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $15 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; cover charge at the door to be announced. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

FILMS

**MTF. "The Piano"** (Jane Campion, 1993). Poetic story of a mute 19th-century Scottish woman who takes her piano with her when she goes to New Zealand for an arranged marriage. Holly Hunter, Harvey Keitel, Sam Neill. Mich., 4:10 p.m. **"Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 7 & 9 p.m.

## 14 TUESDAY

★**Morning Coffee: Newcomers Club of Ann Arbor.** Informal; children welcome. Open to all women who have moved or returned to the Ann Arbor–Ypsilanti area. *10 a.m.–noon, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 4205 Washtenaw, Ypsilanti. Free. 995–0476.*

★**"Spring Global Village Arts and Culture Festival": Washtenaw Community College.** *April 14 & 15.* A celebration of the world's cultures, featuring music, dance, theater, and more. *11 a.m.–3 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Morris J. Lawrence Bldg., 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 677–5039.*

★**Monthly Panel Discussion: Domestic Violence Project/SAFE House.** Speakers to be announced. A public forum on domestic violence and how to prevent it. All invited to bring a bag lunch. *Noon–2 p.m., SAFE House, 4100 Clark Rd. Free. 973–0242, ext. 202.*

**"Capturing the Voice of the Customer in New Product Development": Ann Arbor Product Development Forum.** Lunch and a talk by Brian Ottum, president of Ottum Research and Consulting. Discussion follows. *Noon–1:30 p.m., Crowne Plaza Hotel, 610 Hilton Blvd. (near I-94 and S. State). $15. Reservations required. 429–1173.*

★**"Films of Ngozi Onwurah": U-M Institute for the Humanities.** Last in a series of video showings of short films—many originally aired on British TV—by this young Anglo-Nigerian filmmaker whose debut feature film is shown at the Michigan Theater on April 9 (see listing). Today: ***Flight of the Swan,*** a hauntingly poetic, semiautobiographical film about a young black girl's yearning to become a ballet dancer, and ***Who Stole the Soul?,*** an exploration of the appropriation of black music by whites, and vice versa. *Noon, 1524 Rackham. Free. 936–3518.*

★**"The Royals": Ann Arbor District Library "Booked for Lunch."** Local humorist and humor educator **Lila Green,** a Queen Elizabeth look-alike and impersonator who founded the Royal Society of Michigan, discusses Kitty Kelley's scandalous best-seller about the British royal family. Bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea provided. Taped for repeat broadcasts on cable channel 9. *12:10–1 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**"Basic Gardening Practices": Good Thyme Garden Club Monthly Meeting.** Master gardener Anna Madison offers useful hints for successful gardening in the Ann Arbor area. All invited. *1 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 429–0872, 429–2061.*

★**Sparky Anderson: Borders Books and Music.** The legendary baseball manager and sports broadcaster visits Borders to sign copies of his new auto-

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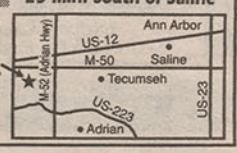


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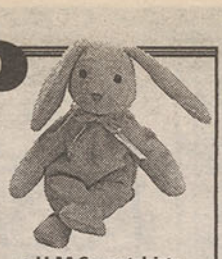

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**EVENTS** *continued*

biography, *They Call Me Sparky. 2–4 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Second Tuesday Wine Tasting: Mediterrano.** This relaxed wine tasting features wines from around the world with finger foods and tasting tips. *6 p.m., Mediterrano restaurant, 2900 S. State St. at Eisenhower (in the Concord Center). $15.95. Reservations required. 332–9700.*

★**"Beads and Fiber": Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild Monthly Meeting.** Talk by a member of the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild to be announced. *6:45 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W. Liberty. Free. 484–4350.*

★**"Origami Fun!": Ann Arbor District Library.** Local origami expert Don Shall presents another of his popular family-oriented workshops introducing the ancient, elegant Japanese art of paper folding. Kids under 5 must be accompanied by an adult to assist them. Supplies provided. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 994–2345.*

★**"From Pen to Page: How Local Authors Make It to Print": Ann Arbor District Library.** Local printing and publishing professionals present an overview of their trade. Panelists include U-M Press acquisitions editor Ellen McCarthy, Sleeping Bear Press president Brian Lewis, and Edwards Brothers president Jim Edwards. Moderator is Jon Buller of Bessenberg Bindery. Also, a chance to view two related current library exhibits, **"Telling Tales: Children's Book Illustrations"** and **"The Art of Bookbinding."** *7–8:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**Fiction Readers Group: Barnes & Noble.** All invited to discuss Dickens's *Great Expectations. 7 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

**English Country Dancing: Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance.** *April 14 & 28.* Don Theyken and Eric Arnold teach historical and traditional dances from England, with live music by David West and Donna Baird. All dances taught; new dancers welcome. No partner necessary. Wear comfortable shoes and casual attire. *7–9:45 p.m., Chapel Hill Clubhouse, 3350 Green Rd. (north of Plymouth Rd.). $4. 663–0744, 662–5158.*

★**Small Brass Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** U-M trumpet professor Charles Daval directs this student brass group in works to be announced. *7 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Groupe de Francais.** All fluent French speakers invited to enjoy conversation. *7:30–9 p.m., Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington. Free. 996–1848.*

★**"Ann Arbor's Newest Sister Church in Nicaragua": Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice.** Ann Arbor Hunger Coalition coordinator Susan King and others give a slide-illustrated lecture on their recent trip to Catarina, Nicaragua. *7:30 p.m., First Baptist Church memorial lounge, 512 E. Huron. Free. 663–1870.*

★**"European Rose Gardens": Huron Valley Rose Society.** Talk by Saginaw gardener Bunny Skran. Refreshments. *7:30 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 429–9609.*

★**Monthly Meeting: WAUG.** This month's discussion topic: **"Demonstration: Building a Personal Computer from Parts."** WAUG is a multi-platform computer user group. All invited. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Colonial Lanes meeting room, 1950 South Industrial. Free. 971–8576.*

★**"Land Use: Visualizing Change": Ann Arbor Area League of Women Voters.** Talk by Mary Jukuri, an architect with Johnson, Johnson, & Roy, a local firm specializing in urban planning. Refreshments. *7:30 p.m., Women's City Club, 1830 Washtenaw. Free. 665–5808.*

★**"Israel's 50th Birthday: Past, Present, and Future": Jewish Community Center "Yom Ha-Atzmaut Celebration."** Keynote speaker is Tzipora Rimon, the Israeli Consul General for the Midwest. All invited. *7:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. 971–0990.*

**Jimmie Dale Gilmore: The Ark.** Gilmore is one of the best of a large crop of neo-traditionalist folk-country stars, mainly because the country traditions he adheres to conserve its most extravagantly primal yearnings. Where Garth Brooks always sounds as if he's singing to the entire assembled population of North America, Gilmore's singing conjures images of an audience at once vaster and emptier, like some honky-tonk monk serenading coyotes and the wind. As a songwriter, he possesses a wonderfully offhand flair for lyrical flights that are sometimes poetic, sometimes unsettling in their extremity, and sometimes both, and he sings with a pinched nasal intensity that can put your nerves pleasantly on edge. The songs on his superb 1996 CD, *Braver, Newer World,* blend his trademark otherworldliness with the over-the-top dynamics and vocal stylings of Gene Pitney, Roy Orbison, and other early post-rockabilly ballads. *7:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $17.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

★**Orhan Pamuk: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** This acclaimed Turkish novelist reads from the recently published paperback edition of Guneli Gun's English translation of *The New Life,* Pamuk's allegorical novel on contemporary Turkey. The intellectual breadth and formal daring of Pamuk's work has earned him favorable comparisons to the likes of Proust, Borges, and Rushdie. Following the reading, Pamuk signs copies of his books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**Early Music Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** U-M harpsichord professor Ed Parmentier leads this U-M student ensemble in Bach's motet *Komm Jesu Komm,* Monteverdi's *Lauda Jerusalem* (from the *Vespers*), John Sheppard's *Spiritus sanctus procedens a throno,* and arias by Bach, duet madrigals by Monteverdi, and works for flute and oboe by Telemann. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Blanche Anderson Moore Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**FILMS**

**HILL. "Visions of Eden"** (1996). This documentary produced by the Jewish Theological Seminary (New York) features experts on Judaism, justice, and the environment discussing their concerns as they hike along the Appalachian Trail. Hillel, 8 p.m. **MTF. "Bunny Lake is Missing"** (Otto Preminger, 1965). Drama about the investigation of an infant kidnapping. Laurence Olivier, Carol Lynley, Keir Dullea, The Zombies. Mich., 4:10 p.m. **"Harold and Maude"** (Hal Ashby, 1971). Offbeat comedy about the romance between an elderly woman and a young man obsessed with death. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 9 p.m.

## 15 WEDNESDAY

★**"Tax Day Demonstration": Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.** Demonstration against current federal spending priorities. All invited. *11 a.m.–1 p.m., Ann Arbor Federal Bldg. (Post Office Plaza), E. Liberty between Fourth & Fifth aves. Free. 483–0058.*

★**"The Anthropology of Religion and the Quarrel between Poetry and Philosophy": U-M Program on Studies in Religion.** University of Toronto anthropology professor **Michael Lambek** gives this lecture honoring the late U-M anthropologist Roy "Skip" Rappaport, a distinguished scholar who devoted most of his life to the study of the relationship between religion, society, and ecology. He died last October at the age of 71. Also, remembrances by Rappaport's colleagues and former students. Reception follows. *4–7 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (4th floor). Free. 764–4475.*

★**"String Figures & Games": People's Food Co-op.** Local string figure artists Marcia Gaynor and Michele Gage show kids how to make a cat's cradle and other string figures. Kids under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult. *6:30–8:30 p.m., People's Food Co-op, 216 N. Fourth Ave. Free. Preregistration requested. 769–0095.*

**"Artist's Way Cafe."** All invited to join for conversation and creative activities based on Julia Cameron's best-selling book *The Artist's Way.* This month's theme: **"Finding God in Daily Life: Metaphors, Analogies, and Images."** *7–9 p.m., Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty. $7 at the door. 994–8004, 665–0409.*

★**"Microcosmos": Ann Arbor District Library "Video Night."** Video showing of this visually stunning film depicting life and death beneath the grass in a French meadow. Winner of the Special Jury Prize at the 1996 Cannes Film Festival. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4510.*

★**"Speaking Our Minds": Washtenaw Community College.** WCC speech students demonstrate their talents. *7 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Theater, Liberal Arts Bldg., 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 973–3300.*

★**"Pressed Flower Crafts": Ypsilanti Garden Club.** Lecture-demonstration by Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan district director Mary Pulick. Re-

## singer-songwriter

### Loudon Wainwright III
**Prolific ease**

"I guess by now you've noticed," sang Loudon Wainwright III ten years ago, "Almost all the songs I write/Somehow pertain to me." Reviewers have played up this theme, pointing to the appearance of subjects like fatherhood and middle age in the latest of Wainwright's consistently successful recordings.

Truth is, though, Wainwright has been writing about fatherhood since 1973's irreverent "Dilated to Meet You." Doubtless all songwriters write about themselves to some degree, but Wainwright's talent lies more in being able to string together very clever rhymes on almost any subject. *Career Moves*, his 1993 live recording, includes songs about the road, swimming, Elvis, a comically bad acid trip, a waitress, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and a man who couldn't cry. He's almost always funny, almost never weighed down with the difficulty of expressing the truly personal.

True, Wainwright's a multiply married man who excels at evoking a sense of quiet inevitability at a relationship's end. And that "III" on his name (his father was a renowned *Life* magazine columnist) may explain why he's so surefooted when writing about family relationships. His Thanksgiving grace runs in part: "If I argue with a loved one, Lord, please make me the winner." But these themes—failed love and failing families—are powerful ones for our inward-looking age, good demographic bets for a folksinger, regardless of his life experience.

It's not the nitty-gritty of Wainwright's life but his sheer prolific ease as a writer that has allowed him to last so long—his Gilbertian way with rhyme, his jester-like talent for spinning an entertaining tale out of small scraps. Perhaps his best-loved song, part of the repertoire of every bluegrass band, is an elegy for a dead skunk in the middle of the road, stinking to high heaven.

Wainwright has released sixteen albums and written so many songs it sometimes seems as though he could make them up on the spot if he had to. He thrives on live performance. "In February of this year," he said once, "I did a show at the Royal Festival Hall in London, and a few weeks later I was in Orlando, Florida, playing in a blues bar called the Junkyard. Both were good nights."

Loudon Wainwright III opens for Shawn Colvin at the Michigan Theater on Friday, April 24. *—James M. Manheim*

freshments. *7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 209 Washtenaw, Ypsilanti. Free. 483–5583.*

**"So How Do You Like the Weather?: Long-Term Effects of El Nino": Starmate Series.** Channeling session with local psychics Tom Thomas and Sandra Xenakis. *7–9 p.m., Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. $7 at the door only. 665–5579, 475–0193.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Michigan Archaeological Society.** Speaker and topic to be announced. This is the local chapter of a state organization that exists to help archaeology enthusiasts meet others with similar interests and learn about opportunities to work on upcoming excavations. *7:30 p.m., Modern Languages Bldg., room B116. Free (annual dues, $25). 971–5077.*

★**Annie Rapid: Borders Books and Music.** This nationally recognized folk-rock singer-songwriter performs selections from her new CD, *Roses and Ash. 7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**"Songs of the Spring Birds": Washtenaw Audubon Society Monthly Meeting.** Slide-illustrated talk by club member Bob Pettit. All invited. *7:30 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 994–6287.*

★**Mary Doria Russell: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** This U-M paleoanthropology grad reads from *Children of God*, the recently published sequel to *Sparrow*, her acclaimed tale about the voyage of a party of Jesuit missionaries to Alpha Centauri. In the new book, Father Emilio Sandoz continues his quest for the meaning of God's plan in a future beyond this galaxy. Following the reading, Russell signs copies of her books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**EMU Flute Choir: EMU Music Department.** Julie Stone directs this music-student ensemble in a program to be announced. *8 p.m., EMU Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at E. Circle Dr., Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

★**"Brave New Works": Contemporary Percussion Ensemble (U-M School of Music).** U-M percussion students Chris Kim, Chris Froh, and Eli Shapiro perform contemporary percussion works. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Campus Band: U-M School of Music.** James Nix directs this U-M student band in a program to be announced. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**Johnny Griffin: Prism Productions.** *April 15 & 16. See review, p. 75.* An extremely rare chance to see this celebrated tenor saxophonist, a bop master who has played with everyone from Thelonious Monk to Art Blakey. Griffin has lived in Europe since the 60s and returns once a year to his native Chicago to celebrate his birthday. *8 & 10 p.m., Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley. Tickets $20 in advance at Schoolkids', the Michigan Union Ticket Office, and all other Ticketmaster outlets; and at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666.*

**"Semele": Michigan Student Opera Works.** *April 15 & 17–19.* George Shirley directs U-M opera students in this production of Handel's oratorio based on the Greek legend of Semele, the woman whose tryst with Zeus resulted in the birth of Dionysius. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

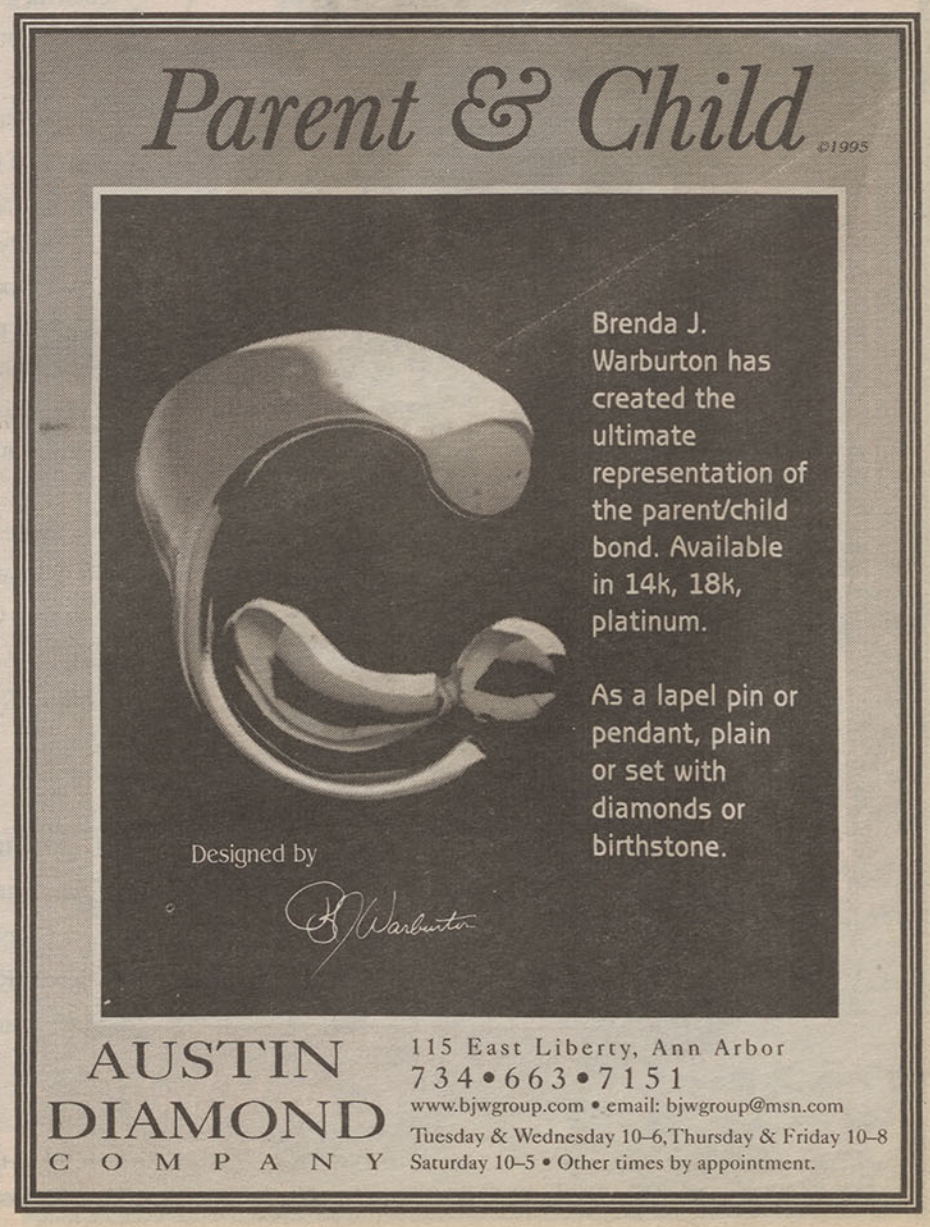
**"West Side Story": U-M Musical Theater Department.** *April 15 (dress rehearsal) & 16–19.* The regular 4-day run of this beloved Bernstein-Sondheim musical is sold out, so your only chance to see it is tonight's dress rehearsal. *8 p.m., Power Center. Dress rehearsal tickets: $10 & $12 (students, $6) in advance and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–0450.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Totally Unrehearsed Theater": Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 1 Wednesday. 8:30 p.m.

**FILMS**

**Goethe-Institut. "Germany in Autumn"** (various directors, 1978). Unusual film mixes documentary footage and dramatization to tell the story of three RAF terrorists and their deaths in a German prison in 1977. German, subtitles. FREE. AH-A, 7 p.m. **U-M Architecture Students Film Society. "Fellini's Roma"** (Federico Fellini, 1972). The famed director's fantasy ode to the city of his youth. Italian, subtitles. FREE. Art & Architecture Auditorium, North Campus, 8:30 p.m. **U-M Michigan League. "Dangerous Liaisons"** (Stephen Frears, 1988). Video showing of this acclaimed adaptation of the De Laclos novel. John Malkovich, Michelle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Pfeiffer, Glenn Close. FREE. Michigan League Underground, 7 p.m. **U-M Arts & Programming. "Ace Ventura, Pet Detective"** (Tom Shadyac, 1994). Video showing of this slapstick comedy about a "pet detective" hired to recover the kidnapped mascot of the Miami Dolphins. Jim Carrey. $1 admission. Pierpont Commons East Room, 3 & 7 p.m. **MTF. "Aliens"** (James Cameron, 1986). Landmark thriller about an extraterrestrial predator. Sigourney Weaver. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 9:30 p.m.

## 16 THURSDAY

★**U-M Softball Doubleheader vs. WMU.** *2 p.m., Alumni Field (behind Ray Fisher Stadium), S. State at Hoover. Free. 764–0247.*

**"Kids Connect!": Ann Arbor District Library.** AADL staff explain the basics of the Internet, World Wide Web, and the Netscape browser. Participants also explore the library's Youth Page. Open to all kids grades 6–8. *4 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

**Monthly Meeting: New Enterprise Forum.** Talk on an entrepreneurial issue by a guest speaker to be announced, showcase presentations by emerging companies, and an open forum in which entrepreneurs can introduce themselves and solicit help for their business needs. Refreshments. A chance for entrepreneurs, investors, and business service providers to explore common interests. All invited. *5 p.m. (registration), 5:30 p.m. (meeting), Holiday Inn North, 3600 Plymouth Rd. $15 (members, free). 665–4434.*

★**Flute Studio: U-M School of Music.** Students of U-M flute professor Jeff Zook perform works to be announced. *5 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. McIntosh Theater, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**"Expanding Your Options on the World Wide Web": Ann Arbor District Library.** Hands-on introduction to the finer points of using Netscape, including file formats, plug-ins, and Usenet newsgroups. Open to all AADL cardholders. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Northeast Branch, 2713 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth Mall. Free. Preregistration required. 996–3180.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Society for Origami.** All invited (children and adults) to learn about and try their hand at origami, the ancient, elegant Japanese art of paper folding. Taught by local paper-folding expert Don Shall. *7–9:30 p.m., Slauson Middle School, 1019 W. Washington at Eighth St. Free. 662–3394.*

★**"Natural Treatments for Common Health Complaints of Older Adults": People's Food Co-op Herbal Wisdom Series.** Talk by local naturopathic physician Suzie Zick. *7–8:30 p.m., People's Food Co-op, 216 N. Fourth Ave. Free. Preregistration requested. 994–3409.*

★**Spring Collage Concert: Washtenaw Community College.** WCC students perform dance and vocal and instrumental music. *7 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Towsley Auditorium, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 973–3300.*

★**Dorothy Allison: Borders Books and Music.** The award-winning author of *Bastard Out of Carolina* reads from her latest book, *Cavedweller*, the story of a rock star who returns with her young daughter to her hometown in Georgia, where years before she fled an abusive marriage. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**General Meeting: Ann Arbor Democratic Party.** Discussion topic to be announced. All invited. *7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Community Center, 625 N. Main. Free. 480–4986.*

★**"Senior Housing": American Association of University Women Monthly Meeting.** Talk by local resident Carolyn Hastings. *7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Women's City Club, 1830 Washtenaw. Free. 995–9352.*

★**"Living with a Natural Landscape": Fleming Creek Advisory Council.** Talk by veteran Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission naturalist Matt Heumann. *7:30 p.m., United Methodist Church of Dixboro parlor, 5221 Church Rd., Dixboro. Free. 459–5386.*

★**"Blue-Green Jam Session": Oz's Music.** All acoustic blues, bluegrass, old-time, and folk musicians invited. Hosted by Culture Vulture Band guitarist and banjoist Sid Rosenberg. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Oz's Music Environment, 1920 Packard. Free. 662–8283.*

**Dr. John: The Ark/Prism Productions.** Mac "Dr.

John" Rebennack is a prolific songwriter with a voice at once silken and gravelly, but he is best known as the reigning master of New Orleans–style piano. His blend of R&B, gospel, boogie, blues, and funk is rooted in a long tradition shaped by the likes of Fats Domino, Huey Smith, and Dr. John's mentor, Roy "Professor Longhair" Byrd. He established his reputation among musicians as a session player in the 50s and 60s before gaining his own audience through his adopted persona as "Dr. John, the Night Tripper." This is his first Ann Arbor appearance since 1985. *7:30 & 9:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $20 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; $23 at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**State Street Poetry Project: Rude Mechanicals (University Activities Center).** Readings and performances by award-winning young local fiction, poetry, and drama writers. Includes winners of U-M Hopwood Awards and of the monthly Ann Arbor Poetry Slam, among others. *7:30 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. $7 (students, $2). 763–1107.*

★**Robin Robertson: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** This Scottish poet reads from *A Painted Field,* his prizewinning debut collection of poems that are lucid, sensuous, and compelling. Following the reading, Robertson signs copies of his books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**Chamber Choir: U-M School of Music.** Jerry Blackstone directs this U-M student chorus in works by Barber, Derr, Rheinberger, Shvedov, Corigliano, and more. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**Johnny Griffin: Prism Productions.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 & 10 p.m.

**"Somewhere in Between": U-M Dance Department BFA Thesis Concert.** *April 16–18.* A concert of solo and group works choreographed by U-M dance seniors Helena Birecki, Felesha Simpson, Sara Steffani, Jennifer Taber, and Rosanna Tavarez. *8 p.m., U-M Dance Bldg. Betty Pease Studio Theater, 1310 North University Ct. Tickets $5 at the door only. 763–5460.*

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** *April 16–19 & 23–26.* Natalie Holbrook directs Shakespeare's tragicomedy about passion and revenge, in an updated version set in the morally suspect climate of contemporary corporate America. The contradictions embodied in the character of Shylock, who is both a villain (demanding a literal pound of flesh from the merchant who owes him money) and a victim of anti-Semitism, has provoked controversy and debate for centuries. The play contains many of Shakespeare's most famous speeches, including "Hath not a Jew eyes?" and "The quality of mercy is not strained." Cast includes Robin Barlow, Dana Sutton, Glenn Bugala, Troy Sill, and David Lai. *8 p.m., Ann Arbor Civic Theater, 2275 Platt Rd. at Huron Pkwy. (south of Washtenaw). $16 (students & seniors, $14). 971–AACT.*

**Sensible Footwear: Performance Network.** *April 16–19.* Described as "comedic feminist terrorists," this Toronto-based duo performs wickedly funny cabaret-style shows mixing a cappella songs with often bawdy comic skits to dissect male and female behavior with equal relish. Their current show, **"Mid-Life Crisis,"** is a riotous look at two women verging on their 40s. *8 p.m., Performance Network, 408 W. Washington. Tickets $12 (students & seniors, $9) in advance by reservation and at the door. 663–0681.*

**"West Side Story": U-M Musical Theater Department.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 p.m.

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** See 9 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Chris Titus: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** *April 16–18.* Fresh, sharp-edged topical and observational humor by this young East Coast monologuist, a very popular attraction on the national comedy circuit. Preceded by two opening acts. Alcohol is served. *8:30 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $9 (Thursday) & $12 (Friday & Saturday) in advance and at the door. Group rates and other discounts available. 996–9080.*

**TR3: Prism Productions.** Groove-oriented improvisational rock by this trio led by singer-guitarist Tim Reynolds, a longtime collaborator with Dave Matthews. *10:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.), The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Tickets $10 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; cover charge at the door to be announced. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666; for information, call 996–8555.*

## FILMS

**EMU Communication Dept. "Citizen Kane"** (Orson Welles, 1941). Classic drama about the rise and fall of a newspaper mogul. FREE. Mich., 4 p.m.

**MTF. "Mrs. Dalloway"** (Marleen Gorris, 1997). See 10 Friday. Mich., 7 & 9 p.m.

## 17 FRIDAY

★**Tom Hodgson: Washtenaw County Association for the Education of the Young Child.** A concert for preschoolers (and their parents) by this Waterloo Recreation Area educator, entertainer, and wilderness guide, who was named 1995 Michigan Environmental Educator of the Year by the Michigan Alliance for Environmental and Outdoor Education. Also, storytelling by local educator **Marjorie Shaefer,** who appears as Mother Goose. In celebration of the Month of the Young Child. *9:15 & 10:45 a.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W. Liberty. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. (810) 832–1458.*

★**"Library On-Line Catalog": Ann Arbor District Library.** *April 17, 21, & 22 (different locations).* Library staffers offer a hands-on introduction on how to use the library's electronic catalog, which can be accessed in the library or remotely, through the library website (www.annarbor.lib.mi.us). *2 p.m. at the West Branch (April 17), 10 a.m. at the main library (April 21), & 8:30 a.m. at the West Branch (April 22). Free. 327–4550.*

**U-M Baseball vs. MSU.** *April 17, & 19.* The weekend series also includes a doubleheader tomorrow (April 18) 1 p.m. at Olds Park in Lansing. *3 p.m. (April 17) & 1 p.m. (April 19), Ray Fisher Stadium. $3 (youths under 18, $1; U-M students with ID, free). 764–0247.*

★**"Wander the World Wide Web": Ann Arbor District Library.** *April 17 & 21.* AADL staff introduce kids to the World Wide Web. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library youth department, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–8301.*

★**"Re": 16 Hands.** Opening reception for an exhibit of works by artists who use recycled materials. *7–9 p.m., 16 Hands, 216 S. Main. Free. 761–1110.*

★**"Sounds of a Spring Night": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner presents a slide-illustrated talk on frogs, toads, and other amphibians, followed by an outdoor hike to listen for and try to identify their spring songs. *7:30 p.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration requested. 426–8211.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Professional Volunteer Corps.** All singles 25 and older invited to join this organization that provides volunteers for various community projects. Each month, members vote on which service projects to sponsor and plan upcoming social outings. Preceded at 7 p.m. by socializing and orientation for newcomers. *7:30 p.m., NEW Center, 1100 N. Main. Free. 747–6801.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Viva Ventures.** All physically active seniors (age 50 and over) invited to help plan and organize hiking, biking, canoeing, camping, skiing, or white-water rafting excursions. *7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. Free. For information, call Bud Tracy at 663–3077.*

★**Monthly Meeting: University Lowbrow Astronomers.** Speaker and topic to be announced. *7:30 p.m., 807 Dennison Hall, 501 East University. Free. 426–2363.*

★**"The Church of Armenia Between Byzantium and Persia": U-M Center for Russian and East European Studies.** Talk by Columbia University Armenian history professor emerita Nina Garsoian. *7:30 p.m., 1636 U-M School of Social Work Bldg., 1080 South University. Free. 764–0351.*

**Dee Carstensen: The Ark.** A highly regarded pop-folk singer-songwriter from New York City who accompanies herself on harp, Carstensen made her local debut at the Folk Festival in January. She writes smart, complex songs about relationships, love, and the search for happiness, and she sings with an absorbing intensity that has provoked comparisons to Joni Mitchell, Rickie Lee Jones, and Shawn Colvin. *7:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $11 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**Ekoostik Hookah: Prism Productions.** Acoustic, country-flavored neo-hippie dance-rock by this band from Columbus, Ohio. Opening act is **Guster,** a highly regarded guitar-and-percussion acoustic trio from Boston whose rootsy, neo-hippie rock 'n' roll is highlighted by impassioned, fetchingly melodic tunes and a surprisingly big sound. *7:30 p.m., Michigan Theater. Tickets $12.50 in advance at Schoolkids', the Michigan Union Ticket Office, and all other Ticketmaster outlets; and at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666.*


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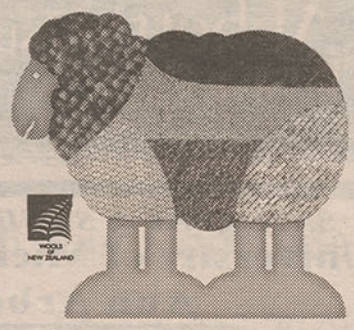

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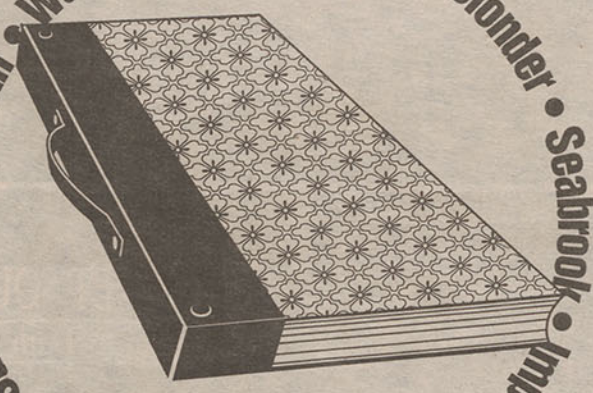

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**"Music, Love, and Loss: Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Affect": Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation/Association for Psychoanalytic Thought/ U-M School of Music.** *April 17 & 18.* Psychoanalysts, musicians, composers, and others come together this weekend for a series of lectures and concerts. Tonight: **"Reflections on a Pure Artist: The Great Pianist Glenn Gould,"** a talk by Montreal psychoanalyst and musician Richard Karmel, followed by a recital by noted U-M piano professor **Louis Nagel** of works by Bach. *Note:* Additional speakers talk in a free session at the Michigan Psychoanalytic Center in Farmington Hills on April 19. *8 p.m., Rackham Amphitheater (3rd floor). Symposium fees: $50 (Friday), $75 (Saturday daytime), $25 (Saturday evening). Students: $50 for all events. For information, call the MPF at (248) 851–3380 or Tina Hertel at 994–6645 or (248) 988–7224.*

**Third Friday Dance: Balance and Swing.** Contras, squares, and mixers to live music by the Golden Griffon Stringtet, with caller Susan English. No partner necessary; dancers of all levels welcome. Preceded at 7:30 p.m. by lessons for beginners. *8–11 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $6 (students, children, and anyone who brings a homemade dessert, $4). 995–5872.*

**★"Concerto Concert": EMU Music Department.** Kevin Miller conducts the EMU Symphony in a program of concertos featuring the winners of the annual concerto competition. Also, the Symphony performs Hindemith's *Symphonic Metamorphosis. 8 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**★Symphony and Concert Bands: U-M School of Music.** Kevin Sedatole and James Tapia direct these U-M student bands in works to be announced. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**★Yizhak Schotten: U-M School of Music.** This U-M viola professor performs violin-viola duos by Mozart, Rolla, Handel, Toch, and Martinu. He is assisted variously by violinists Andrew Jennings, Paul Kantor, Geoff Applegate, Kim Kalyonides, and Carolyn Stuart. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**"Semele": Michigan Student Opera Works.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 p.m.

**"Alice in Wonderland—A Music Theater Piece": Kerrytown Concert House.** U.S. premiere of Ann Arbor composer Braxton Blake's work for mezzo-soprano and two pianos. The piece is based on the reminiscences of Alice Liddell, the model for the heroine of Lewis Carroll's famous children's book. In this work, the elderly Liddell recalls her childhood, family, and various characters who made their way into the *Alice* books in one form or another. Commissioned by the Stuttgart Ballet in 1986, Blake's piece encompasses a wide range of musical styles and was originally performed with dancers. Librettist is Janette Scandura, a U-M grad. Tonight's performers are U-M voice professor **Freda Herseth** (Blake's wife) and German pianists **Margaret Busby** and **James Schar.** *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10, $15, & $25. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** *April 17–19 & 24–26.* Andy Jentzen directs J. Merzer's offbeat comedy about a young artist who takes a summer job working for the Internal Revenue Service. Cast includes Ken MacGregor, Karen McCarthy, Paddy Ash, Kathy Wasil, Marlena Schuler, Bill Deveraux, and Jessica Carroll. *8 p.m., St. Luke's Episcopal Church Little Theater, 120 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. Tickets $8 (children, $6) in advance by calling 487–PLAY.*

**"Brecht-Abende": U-M Residential College Deutsches Theater.** *April 17 & 18.* Residential College German language lecturer Janet Hegman Shier directs RC students in a program of songs, stories, and scenes from the plays of the great German modernist Bertolt Brecht. Includes scenes from *Furcht und Elend des Dritten Reiches (Fear and Misery in ihe Third Reich), Das Badener Lehrstueck von Einverstaendnis (The Baden Baden Learning Play on Consent),* and *Der Bettler oder der tote Hund (The Beggar or the Dead Dog).* Detailed program notes, vocabulary aids, and interpretive slides and surtitles are provided to make the performance enjoyable even to those who don't understand German. Also, as part of the RC celebration of Brecht's 100th birthday, an exhibit, ***Bertolt Brecht: Leben und Ueberleben in 20 Jahrhundert,*** is on display in the East Quad Benzinger Library throughout April. Proceeds donated to local charities. *8 p.m., U-M Residential College auditorium, East Quad, 701 East University. $5 (or two cans of food) donation. 747–4378.*

**"Somewhere in Between": U-M Dance Department BFA Thesis Concert.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

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**Freddy Cole: Bird of Paradise.** *April 17 & 18.* Sweet, soulful ballads and blues & jazz standards by this veteran singer-pianist, the brother of the late Nat "King" Cole. He performs with his quartet. *9 & 11 p.m., Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley. Tickets $18 at the door only. 662–8310.*

**FILMS**

No films.

## 18 SATURDAY

**"A Joint Parade": Arthritis Foundation.** All invited to join a 2- or 5-mile pledge walk to raise funds for arthritis research. Visit with buffalo, llamas, goats, cows, and other animals at Domino's Petting Farm along the way on this stroll over gently rolling hills. Prizes to all who raise $75 or more; top pledge earner wins a trip for two to San Francisco. *8 a.m. (check in), 9 a.m. (walk begins), Domino's Farms, 30 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr. (off Earhart Rd. north of Plymouth Rd.). $20 individual entry fee. Entry forms available in local sporting goods stores or by calling (800) 968–3030.*

**Ann Arbor Antiques Market.** *April 18 & 19.* First show of the season. This nationally important show, which started modestly in 1969 at the Farmers' Market, now features more than 300 dealers in antiques and collectibles. It's the nation's largest regularly scheduled monthly antiques show, and quite possibly the best. No reproductions are allowed, experts hired by founder-manager Margaret Brusher check every booth, and the authenticity of everything is guaranteed to be what the dealer's receipt says it is. The market is also an important source for dealers nationwide. Deliveries available; food for sale. *8 a.m.–4 p.m., Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. $5 (children under 12 accompanied by an adult, free). Free parking. 662–9453 (before the show), 429–9954 (day of show).*

**"Second Chance Sale": Recycle Ann Arbor.** Sale of items collected by RAA during its "Second Chance Week" (see 13 Monday listing). *9 a.m.–5 p.m., RAA ReUse Center, 2420 South Industrial. Free admission. 662–6288.*

**★Monthly Meeting: MacTechnics.** All Macintosh computer users invited to join this networking organization. Presentation topic: Microsoft product manager Danielle Tiedt presents the **"Microsoft Office '98 for the Mac Tour."** Also, small groups representing more than a dozen special interests meet concurrently to share tips and information. Beginners welcome. Coffee and socializing. *9 a.m.–noon, Electrical Engineering/Computer Science Bldg., Beal Ave. (off Bonisteel Blvd.), North Campus. Free. 971–8743.*

**★"Birdwatching for Beginners": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner offers slide-illustrated tips on identifying birds and on choosing binoculars and a field guide. Followed by a bird walk. Bring binoculars and field guide, if you have them. *9 a.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration requested. 426–8211.*

**★10th Anniversary Seminar: Great Lakes Aikikai.** *April 18 & 19.* Renowned aikido masters Chiba Shihan and Shibata Shihan are guest instructors at this two-day event. More than 50 aikido students from throughout the region are expected to participate in demonstrations of this Japanese martial art. The public is invited to watch. *9 a.m.–6 p.m. (today), 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (Sunday), Great Lakes Aikikai, 2030 Commerce Dr. Free. 761–6012.*

**"Music, Love, and Loss: Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Affect": Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation/Association for Psychoanalytic Thought/ U-M School of Music.** See 17 Friday. Today: lectures by psychoanalyst Stuart Feder, U-M music professor Marion Guck, and Connecticut psychoanalyst Gilbert Rose (9 a.m.–noon); lunch, with a per-

formance by the early music ensemble **E-17** (noon), and a plenary session with U-M composers Bright Sheng, Andrew Mead, and others (1:30 p.m.). In the evening (8 p.m.), U-M music students perform Schumann's *Dichterliebe* and Rachmaninoff's Sonata in G. *9 a.m.–9 p.m., Michigan League rooms to be announced.*

★**Monthly Outreach Meeting: Ann Arbor Aglow.** Coffee, socializing, and a brief time of praise and worship. Aglow is an international organization devoted to meeting women's spiritual needs. No child care available. *9:15 a.m., Domino's Farms Ulrich Room, Lobby E, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr. (off Earhart Rd. north of Plymouth Rd.). Free. For information, call Jeannie at 761–1893.*

★**"Walking Clinic": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** Running Fit staffers demonstrate walking techniques and equipment. Prize drawings. *10 a.m., Gallup Park canoe livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. (west side of Huron Pkwy.). Free. 662–6319.*

★**"Volunteer Stewardship Workday": Ann Arbor Parks Department.** See 4 Saturday. Today: A trip to the **Foster Area of Barton Park** to clean it up and place erosion control measures along the shoreline. Bring work gloves. *10 a.m.–1 p.m., meet at the Foster area, Huron River Dr. at Warrington. Free. 996–3266.*

★**Open House: U-M Flyers.** All current or would-be pilots invited to meet other pilots and instructors, learn about the group's flight training program, and inspect the members' airplanes. Refreshments. *11 a.m.–4 p.m., Ann Arbor Municipal Airport Hangar P, Airport Drive (off S. State just south of I-94). Free. 994–6208.*

★**Orchid Festival: Ann Arbor Orchid Society.** *April 18 & 19.* Elaborate displays of orchids in bloom, lectures on orchid care, and sale of plants, books, and orchid-growing supplies. Also, an orchid raffle. *Noon–5 p.m. (April 18) & 10 a.m.–5 p.m. (April 19), U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free admission. 930–1543.*

★**U-M Softball Doubleheader vs. Northwestern.** *April 18 (doubleheader) & 19 (single game). 1 p.m., Alumni Field (behind Ray Fisher Stadium), S. State at Hoover. Free. 764–0247.*

★**"Michigan Old Boys Weekend": U-M Men's Rugby.** The current U-M team plays a series of matches against U-M Rugby alumni. *1 p.m., Elbel Field, corner of Hill and Division. Free. 930–2607.*

★**"M-FEST: A Party for the Planet": U-M Environmental Theme Semester.** Performances by local and national "environmentally friendly" band. Headliners are **Rusted Root,** a semi-acoustic alternative-rock band from Pittsburgh known for aggressive melodies and hypnotic rhythms that encourage trancelike swaying and dancing, and the **Samples,** a Boulder, Colorado, quartet that blends nervous reggae rhythms, crisp yet haunting guitar textures, and complex harmonies with lyrics that alternate between meditations on the transience of life and environmental anthems about dolphins, elephants, and recycling. Also, free food, speakers, and a review of the U-M Environmental Theme Semester events. All events and demonstrations are powered with solar energy or other alternative energy sources. *1–7 p.m., Palmer Field, Washtenaw Ave. between Geddes and E. Ann. Free. 647–1122.*

★**"The Last Sonatas of Schubert and Beethoven": EMU Music Department.** EMU music professor **Dady Mehta** performs two monumental last works, Schubert's ethereal, intensely lyrical Sonata in B-flat major and Beethoven's Sonata in C minor, a work that moves from an overpoweringly demonic beginning to a deeply contemplative conclusion. *4 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**16th Annual WineFest: Ann Arbor Art Center.** Rodney Strong Vineyards (Sonoma County, California) founder and winemaster **Rodney Strong** hosts this festive annual wine tasting and auction. More than 100 wines from around the world are available for sampling, and some 50 area restaurants provide hors d'oeuvres, entree samples, and desserts to complement the drinks. Also, a port, cognac, and cigar bar. This year's WineFest compares fine art and fine wine, with striking black and white decorations. Guests are invited to bring wine-related items (corks, labels) or other interesting objects, which will be combined into an original work of art by an artist on the premises, and then auctioned off. Silent and live auctions offer a chance to bid on numerous wines, travel packages, and artworks. The evening concludes with desserts, coffee, champagne, and dancing to live music. Proceeds benefit the Art Center's community outreach program. *5:30 p.m., Ypsilanti Marriott, 1275 S. Huron St. (exit 183 off I-94), Ypsilanti. $100 & $125. For reservations, call 994–8004, ext. 101.*

★**Potluck and Game Night: ConneXions.** All adults ages 25–45, married and single, invited to play Clue, Pictionary, cards, and other games. Bring your favorite group game. Also, bring a dish to pass for the potluck. *6:15 p.m., FUMC Green Wood Church, 1001 Green Rd. at Glazier Way. Free. 677–4737.*

**2nd Annual Dancing Lights Folk Festival: Aurora Borealis Productions/Michigan Union.** Headliner is singer-songwriter **Jere Stormer,** a Detroit native who specializes in bluegrass covers of rock tunes. He recently released a CD, *Available Space,* and his song "Royal Oak P.O." (about the notorious post office murders in that Detroit suburb) has received national radio airplay. Other performers include **Vint and Mathilda,** the duo of singer Vint Blackburn and violinist Mathilda Nance; local folk-country singer-songwriter **Jennifer Jean Smith;** Wyandotte folk-pop singer-songwriter **Richard Lawrence;** Filipino-American singer-guitarist **Liz Momblanco;** singer-songwriter **Bob Skon;** urban folk songstress **Shell;** and blues-folk singer **Michael Wagner.** *7 p.m., Michigan Union U-Club (1st floor). Tickets $7 (students & seniors, $5; children 6–12, $3; children under 6, free) at the door. 327–2041, 763–3202.*

★**19th Annual "Take Back the Night" Rally and March: Ann Arbor Coalition Against Rape.** All invited to join a rally against violence against women, followed by a march through downtown Ann Arbor in which women symbolically reclaim the right to walk the streets after dark in safety. Wheelchair-accessible; rally is interpreted in American Sign Language. *7 p.m., Top of the Park (top of Fletcher St. parking structure). Free. 763–5865.*

**Ann Arbor Ballroom Dance Club.** One hour of intermediate to advanced instruction, followed by ballroom dancing to recorded music. Partner recommended, but not required. Refreshments. *8–9 p.m. (instruction), 9–11:30 p.m. (dancing), Ann Arbor Civic Theater, 2275 Platt Rd. at Huron Pkwy. (south of Washtenaw). $7 ($14 includes lesson). 426–2746, 668–7162.*

**3rd Saturday Contra Dance: Cobblestone Farm Country Dancers.** Live music by Joyous Noise, with callers Peter Baker and Robin Warner. All dances taught; beginners welcome. No partner necessary. Also, all string band musicians invited to bring their instruments (and Ruffwater fake books) to a free jam session (4–6 p.m.). *8–11:30 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $6. 665–8863, 426–0241.*

★**EMU Women's Chorus: EMU Music Department.** Ernest Britten conducts this EMU music-student chorus in its annual spring concert. With a guest appearance by the **Women's Chamber Chorus,** an independent local chorus directed by Gini Robison. *8 p.m., Holy Trinity Chapel, 511 W. Forest, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**138th Annual Spring Concert: Men's Glee Club (U-M School of Music).** Jerry Blackstone directs this award-winning U-M student men's chorus, the second-oldest college glee club in the U.S. (Harvard University beat them out by one year). The eclectic program ranges from spirituals and folk songs to classical and contemporary works, and concludes with the traditional set of Michigan songs. Also, a performance by the group's fun-loving a cappella octet, **The Friars.** *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Tickets $3–$10, available in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and the Hill Auditorium box office. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS or 764–8350.*

★**Contemporary Directions Ensemble: U-M School of Music.** Kevin Sedatole directs this U-M student group in music from the cutting edge. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**MerGin: Fourth Avenue Gallery.** Spooky acoustic folk-rock by this trio from Hell, Michigan. Opening act is blues singer-songwriter **Joe Reilly.** *8 p.m., Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. $5 (seniors & children 12 & under, free). 327–2041.*

**"Semele": Michigan Student Opera Works.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 p.m.

**Ubaka Hill: Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project 2nd Annual Benefit Concert.** This Brooklyn, N.Y., performer plays the *djembe,* a West African drum, as well as other percussion instruments. Her energetic performances blend the rhythmic drumming traditions of Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean, shamanism, and American jazz with poetry and song. She performs tonight with the Drumsong Orchestra, a group of female percussionists many of whom live in Ann Arbor, Detroit, or Lansing. *8 p.m., St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division at Catherine. $15 (WRAP members, $10) in advance or at the door. 995–9867.*

**Gerry Hemingway Quartet: Kerrytown Concert House "Jazz at the Edge" Series.** Percussionist Hemingway, known worldwide for his inventive solo and ensemble work, appears with his new jazz quartet, which includes trombonist Ray Anderson,


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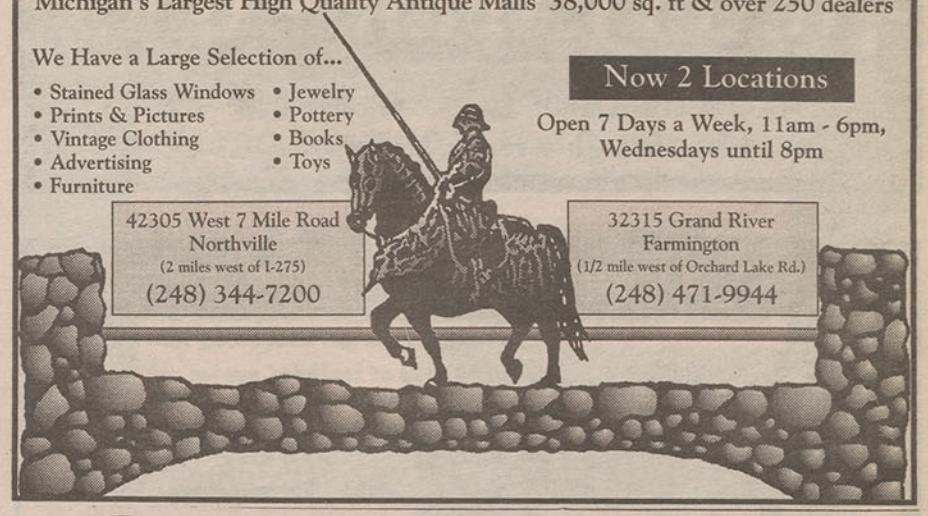

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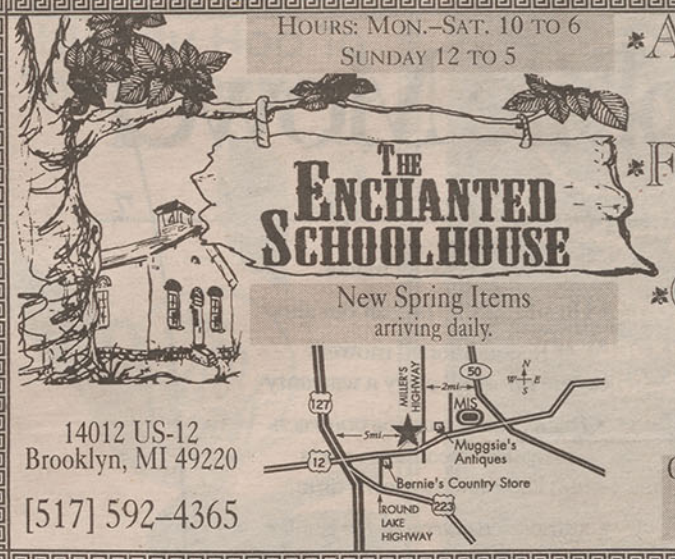

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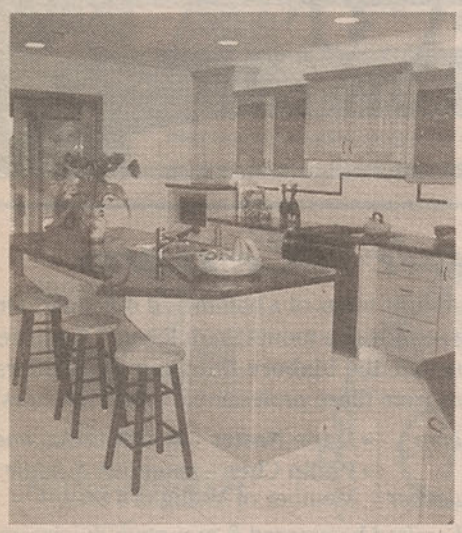

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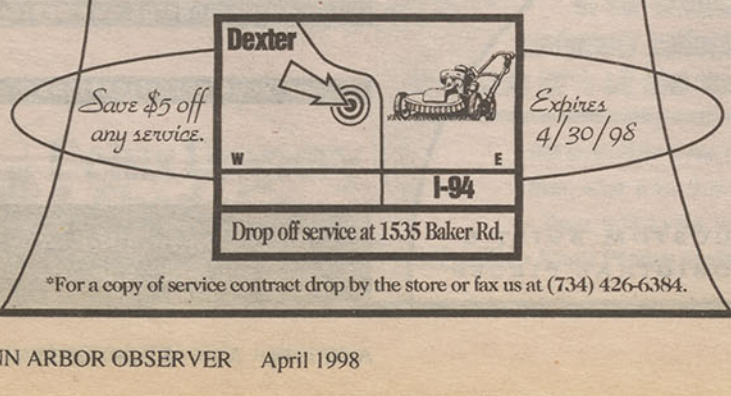


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tenor saxophonist Ellery Eskelin, and bassist Michael Formanek. The quartet made its debut at the Knitting Factory's 1997 Texaco New York Jazz Festival, and will soon release a live CD recording. *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10, $15, & $25. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**Joan Baez: Prism Productions.** First Ann Arbor appearance in two years by this pioneering folk diva who still possesses the gifts that made her famous: the lofty, crystalline yet deep-bodied, hauntingly elegiac voice; an ear for great songs, old and new; an ability to inhabit the emotional center of whatever song she is singing; and an aptitude for blending humanistic propaganda and entertainment in a single package. Her recent recordings include *Ring Them Bells,* a collection of highlights from her celebrated 1995 shows at the Bottom Line, and the recent *Gone from Danger,* a choice collection of songs by contemporary songwriters, including several by her opening act tonight, **Richard Shindell.** A former bandmate of John Gorka in the Razzy Dazzy Spasm Band, Shindell burst onto the national scene in 1992 with *Sparrow's Point,* a widely acclaimed LP that included "Kentworth of My Dreams," a song Ramblin' Jack Elliott called one of the best truck songs he's ever heard. Also, Baez greets fans and autographs CDs this afternoon at Borders (time to be announced). *8 p.m., Michigan Theater. Tickets $30–$35 in advance at Schoolkids', the Michigan Union Ticket Office, and all other Ticketmaster outlets; and at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666.*

**Dan Bern: The Ark.** Bern is a highly regarded singer-songwriter from Iowa whose music has been described as "topical-political-poetical-sarcastic-punk-folk." He's an intense, energetic performer, and his songs are notable for their emotional force and directness. Bern recently released his major label debut on Sony/WORK. *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $10 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"Somewhere in Between": U-M Dance Department BFA Thesis Concert.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 3 & 8 p.m.

**"West Side Story": U-M Musical Theater Department.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 p.m.

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** See 17 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** See 9 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Brecht-Abende": U-M Residential College Deutsches Theater.** See 17 Friday. 8 p.m.

**Sensible Footwear: Performance Network.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

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FILMS

**CG. "La Bete Humaine"** (Jean Renoir, 1938). Classic drama based on Emile Zola's novel about a man who has an affair with the wife of a stationmaster and becomes involved in a plot to kill her husband. French, subtitles. Nat. Sci., 7 & 10:15 p.m. **"Shoot the Piano Player"** (Francois Truffaut, 1960). Atmospheric melodrama about a former concert pianist who plays in a run-down bar and gets involved with gangsters. French, subtitles. Nat. Sci., 8:45 p.m.

## 19 SUNDAY

**★"The MS Walk": National Multiple Sclerosis Society/Young Country 99.5-FM/WDIV-TV 4.** Family-oriented pledge walk with 5-km and 15-km loops beginning and ending at Pioneer High. Rest stops with medical volunteers and support vans, free lunch and entertainment. Prizes to those who raise the most in pledge money. Proceeds benefit MS research. *8 a.m. (registration), 9 a.m. (walk begins), Pioneer High School, 601 W. Stadium at S. Main. Free. For a pledge sheet, call (248) 350–0050, 434–7375.*

**★Annual Potawatomi Trail Hike: Sierra Club.** Hike the complete 17-mile length of this trail that winds through glacial terrain in the Pinckney State Recreation Area. Bring a lunch. *8 a.m. Meet at Ann Arbor City Hall parking lot. Free. 483–0058.*

**★"Earth Day Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** Fast-paced 75-mile, moderate-paced 50-mile, and slow-paced 30-mile rides through scenic lake areas of Lenawee and Washtenaw counties to "observe our greening Mother Planet from the seat of the most Earth-friendly transport." *9 a.m., meet at Wheeler Park, N. Fourth Ave. at Depot St. Free. 663–6401 (75-mile ride), 996–9461 (50-mile & 30-mile rides), 913–9851 (general information).*

**★"Spring in the Swamp": Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission.** WCPARC's Matt Heumann leads a search of early frogs, wildflowers, and other signs of spring at the edges of the Embury Swamp. *10 a.m., Park Lyndon North, North Territorial Rd. (15 miles west of US-23). Free. 971–6337.*

**Monthly Gathering: Second Sunday Schmoozers.** All Jewish singles invited to meet new friends over brunch. *11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Sweet Lorraine's, 303 Detroit St. Free (pay for your own food). 973–8699.*

**Song Sisters Children's Concert: The Ark.** Reunion of the popular local acoustic duo of Ann Arborite Julie Austin and Chris Barton, who moved to Indianapolis in 1993. The Song Sisters, who are joined today by singer-guitarist **David Mosher,** are known for their upbeat, slightly zany children's concerts that always feature lots of audience participation. Their repertoire includes imaginative, often mischievously funny songs on a wide range of kiddie obsessions—food, bedtime, siblings—and they sing in clear, sweet voices, accompanying themselves on guitar, banjo, dulcimers, recorders, flute, and homemade rhythm and folk toys. Their LP *Hello Sun, Goodbye Moon* won a 1992 Parents' Choice Award. *1 & 3 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $6 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"Bluegrass and Old-Time Country Music Jam Session": Ypsilanti Farmers' Market.** All acoustic musicians invited to bring their instruments to this monthly jam session. Proceeds to benefit the restoration of the Farmers' Market Freight House. *1:30–5 p.m., Farmers' Market Freight House, 112 E. Cross at River St., Depot Town, Ypsilanti. $2 donation. 483–1480.*

**★"The 'Hoods in the Woods": Friends of the Nichols Arboretum.** 90-minute docent-led tour over hilly terrain to explore the different ecosystems in the Arb. Wear sturdy footwear. *2 p.m. Meet at the Washington Hts. (Peony Garden) entrance to the Arb. Free. 763–6632.*

**"Those Who Were There": Waterloo Natural History Association.** Naturalist Dan Farmer discusses Native Americans of Michigan and the Great Lakes. *2–3 p.m., Gerald E. Eddy Geology Center, Bush Rd., Chelsea. For directions, see 5 Sunday "Bear Country" listing. $2 (families, $5; WNHA members, free). Preregistration required. $4 vehicle entry fee, unless you already have a state motor vehicle permit ($20 per year). 475–3170.*

**★"Ypsilanti's Automotive Heritage": Washtenaw County Historical Society.** Talk by Ypsilanti Automotive Museum curator Jack Miller, followed by a guided tour of this new Ypsilanti Historical Society museum. Refreshments. *2 p.m., Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum, E. Cross St., Depot Town, Ypsilanti. Free. 662–9092.*

**★Monthly Meeting: Friends of Four-Hand Piano.** Pianists of all abilities invited to bring their music for a casual afternoon of performing duets. An opportunity to meet other pianists and find partners for four-hand and two-piano music. Listeners welcome. *2 p.m., location to be announced. Free. 663–3942, 665–2811.*

**★"Affirmative Action": Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Monthly Meeting.** Talk by Jim Toy of the U-M Affirmative Action office and a longtime local gay rights activist. *2–5 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw at Berkshire. Free. 741–0659.*

**Gender-Free Contra Dance: Ann Arbor Rainbow Contra Dancers.** Traditional American folk dancing for people of all orientations. There are two distinct roles in contra dancing, one traditionally male and one female. In gender-free contra dancing, dancers take whichever position they like and with any partner they like. Joseph Pimentel calls to live music. No partner necessary. All dances taught; beginners welcome. Bring flat, smooth-soled shoes for dancing. *2–5 p.m., Friends Meetinghouse, 1420 Hill St. $6 (students, $5). 764–6958.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"West Side Story": U-M Musical Theater Department.** See 15 Wednesday. 2 p.m.

## recitals

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SCORE is an acronym for Strings, Chorus, Orff, and Recorder Ensemble, and Children of SCORE is just that: children who either play or sing in this orchestra. (Orff instruments are xylophones, glockenspiels, and percussion.) In practice, this means a whole lot of violinists, nearly as many singers, a fair number of percussionists, and not quite so many recorder players. This ensemble performed a singular program that combined Southern revival tunes, Irish folk melodies, an African farewell song, a couple of pieces by Orff himself, and Leiber and Stoller's "Stand By Me." It was a weird mixture of modal melodies, haunting harmonies, and complex rhythms—all expressed through these talented children.

The talents of children are the key. Many of the individual parts are easy to the point of simplicity, but when ten or more are being played simultaneously, the results can be quite complex. And though playing in a complicated ensemble can be quite difficult, the Children of SCORE mesh like a well-oiled machine.

A SCORE performance is more than a kids' recital—it's a true aesthetic experience. The children bring a real fervor to their performance, and you don't have to be one of their parents to love it.

The local Children of SCORE perform a joint concert with a Children of SCORE ensemble from Virginia on Sunday, April 26.

*—Jim Leonard*

**Sensible Footwear: Performance Network.** See 16 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"The Woods": Ellipsis Theater Ensemble.** See 9 Thursday. 2 & 7 p.m.

**★Boychoir of Ann Arbor: Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** Tom Strode directs this highly regarded local boys' chorus in a varied program of sacred and secular works. *3–4 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

**★EMU Alumni Band: EMU Music Department.** This ensemble of EMU music grads is joined by two ensembles of current music students, the Symphonic Band and the Wind Symphony. Program to be announced. *4 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**★Elizabeth Green Memorial Recital: First Presbyterian Church.** Cellist **Alexander Babin,** a Huron High student, and his father, **Vladimir Babin,** principal cellist of the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, join pianist **Vladislav Kovalsky** (director of the Southfield Conservatory of Music) in a program that includes Schubert's Adagio for 2 Cellos in A, Elgar's Concerto in E minor, Brahms's Sonata No. 2 in F, and Rachmaninoff's Sonata in G minor. *4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Free; donations accepted. 662–4466.*

**"Music for Lute and Voice."** Lute player and singer **Ulrike Goldstein,** an Austrian who recently moved to Ann Arbor, performs music of the English and Italian Renaissance courts, including works by Dowland, Campion, Robinson, da Milano, Piccinini, and others. *4 p.m., Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 520 W. Jefferson at Fourth St. $8 (students, $5) at the door. 741–8397.*

**★Monthly Book Discussion: Stilyagi Air Corps.** All invited to discuss **"Favorite science fiction and fantasy for children."** *5 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. For information, call Chad at (313) 390–2369.*

**1998 Megastars Show: U-M Office of Major Events.** A wide variety of Bombay film industry musicians visit Ann Arbor tonight for an evening of popular songs from contemporary Indian movies. *5 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Tickets $25–$75, available at Indian food stores and at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS or (248) 645–6666.*

**★Ecumenical Service: U-M Campus Chapel.** This monthly service features singing of meditative music from the ecumenical community of Taize, France. The service also includes prayer, meditation, readings, silence, and Holy Communion. All invited. *6 p.m., U-M Campus Chapel, 1236 Washtenaw Ct. (off Washtenaw one block south of Geddes). Free. 668–7421, 662–2402.*

**★"Booked for Murder": Little Professor.** All invited to discuss two murder mysteries set at high school reunions: Jacqueline Girdner's *Most Likely to Die* and Kathleen Taylor's *Hotel South Dakota. 6 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. 769–3362.*

**★"Beyond Budweiser: Beer from Babylonia to Arbor Brewing Company": Culinary Historians Monthly Meeting.** Talk by Jeff Renner, owner of the local Best French Bread in Town. *7–9 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw at Berkshire. Free to first-time visitors (annual dues, $15). 662–9211.*

**"House Blend" Series: Ann Arbor Playwrights.** See 5 Sunday. Tonight: Brad Field's **"Brittle Branches,"** a chiaroscuro 1940s family drama about a young man haunted by the ghost of his older brother. 7 p.m.

**Margie Adam: The Ark.** This acclaimed pioneer of feminist pop is a warm, engaging vocalist and an expressive pianist who writes powerful, simple songs on a variety of public and private themes, from perceptive calls for social justice to poignant explorations of the fine points of love to humorous observations of human nature. Her earlier work was showcased in the 1990 Olivia Records LP, *The Best of Margie Adam,* and she has written more than 20 new songs in preparation for a new recording. Opening act is **Out Loud,** a local chorus of gay and lesbian singers. *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $15 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**★"Mina & Colossus": U-M School of Music.** *April 19–21.* U-M drama professor John Neville-Andrews directs the premiere of this musical based on Carolyn Burke's *Becoming Modern: The Life of Mina Loy,* a biography of unconventional English poet Mina Loy (1882–1966). Music by U-M music school composition student Sam Davis, libretto by U-M English grad student Ron Nyren. Choreography by Emily Berry. Produced by mezzo-soprano Joan Morris (of Bolcom & Morris fame). *8 p.m., U-M Media Union Video Studio, 2281 Bonisteel Blvd., North Campus. Free, but tickets (available at the Michigan League Box Office) are required. 764–0450.*

**"Semele": Michigan Student Opera Works.** See 15 Wednesday. 8 p.m.

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** See 17 Friday. 8 p.m.

**FILMS**

**MTF. "Snot Living"** (Kennethe Priebe, 1998). World premiere of this short by U-M grad Priebe, which combines live action and clay animation in the story of a young slacker's conflict with a pesky nasal inhabitant. Live organ music; "freaky costumes" encouraged. FREE. Mich., 4:30 p.m. **"Wag**


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**the Dog"** (Barry Levinson, 1997). *April 19 & 20.* Sharp political satire about a Hollywood director hired by the White House to stage a war in order to distract attention from a sex scandal. Dustin Hoffman, Robert De Niro. Mich., 5:30 p.m. **"Nil by Mouth"** (Gary Oldman, 1997). *April 19–23.* Drama about a working-class London family plagued by domestic violence and drug abuse. Mich., 7:45 p.m.

## 20 MONDAY

**Spring Football Luncheon: M-Club of Ann Arbor.** Brunch and a talk by U-M football coach **Lloyd Carr.** This very popular event was filled to capacity last year; arrive early to avoid disappointment. Open to M-Club members only, but memberships are available at the door. *11:15 a.m., Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Rd. $7 (seniors, $6.50) at the door only. For information, call Wayne Middleton at 741–9859.*

★**"Meet Your Local Witch Night": Magical Education Council of Ann Arbor.** All practicing Wiccans and interested persons invited for an evening of networking, discussion, refreshments, and fun. *6–8 p.m., Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 761–1137.*

★**"The ABC's of Alzheimer's: An Orientation": Alzheimer's Association.** Overview of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, and discussion of common questions and concerns for caregivers. *6:30–8:30 p.m., NEW Center, 1100 N. Main. Free, but preregistration requested. 741–8200, (800) 337–3827.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Embroiderers' Guild of America.** Stitchers of all abilities and interests are invited to work on their own stitching projects, socialize, and learn about guild activities. *6:45 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Free to visitors ($30 annual dues). 482–0859.*

★**Vocal Arts Lab: U-M School of Music.** U-M voice students perform everything from lieder to opera to musical theater numbers. *6:45 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

★**Middle Eastern Dance Ensemble: Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** This local troupe led by Aida Al Adawi performs a variety of Turkish, Saudi, and Egyptian dances, including a Saudi women's dance, a shepherd's cane dance, Lebanese and Iraqi line dances, and more. With live music on a variety of Middle Eastern instruments. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Professor Book Company.** *April 20–25.* Little Professor celebrates National Library Week with 6 evenings of non-TV entertainment. Each night features a headliner and other storytellers. Tonight's headliner: **Wanita Forgacs** tells folk tales for preschool and elementary school kids. *7 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. 662–4110.*

★**"How to Develop a Postal History Exhibit": Ann Arbor Stamp Club Monthly Meeting.** Club member Carey Johnson talks about ways to display a collection at stamp shows. Also, an auction of inexpensive stamps. *7:30 p.m., Salvation Army, 100 Arbana. Free. 662–6566.*

★**"Farmland Preservation: Success Stories from Pennsylvania": Coalition to Protect Farmland and Open Space.** Tom Daniels talks about the farmland preservation program he heads in Lancaster County, Pa., which has protected over 25,000 acres of productive land in the past 15 years. Also, Michigan Department of Agriculture representative David Skjaerlund gives an update on land-protection legislation pending in Lansing. *7:30 p.m., Pioneer High School Little Theater, 601 W. Stadium at S. Main. Free. 426–3669.*

★**"Becoming an Audubon-Certified Sanctuary": Michigan Botanical Club.** Fox Hills Golf Course owner Kathy Aznavorean discusses this new trend in golf course design. *7:45 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 971–6261.*

★**EMU Jazz Combo: EMU Music Department.** Howard Wazeerud-Din conducts a variety of small ensembles comprised of EMU jazz students. *8 p.m., EMU Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at E. Circle Dr., Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

★**University Philharmonia Orchestra: U-M School of Music.** Pier Calabria directs this U-M student orchestra in works by Berlioz, Wienawski, and Debussy. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

★**"Mixed Greens": U-M Dance Department BFA Thesis Concert.** An evening of innovative new works choreographed by U-M dance grad students Corrinne Imberski, Melvada Hughes, Danielle Wilkerson, Laila Sales, Nancy Langsner, Antonio Francesco, and Holly Hobbs. *8 p.m., U-M Dance Bldg. Betty Pease Studio Theater, 1310 North University Ct. Free, but space limited. 763–5460.*

**Walk & Squawk Theater's Hilary Ramsden performs *How Could You Stoop SoLo*, an evening of one-person skits about love, cooking, time, traveling, and the geography of bodies, April 23–26 at Performance Network.**

★**"Mina & Colossus": U-M School of Music.** See 19 Sunday. 8 p.m.

FILMS

**MTF. "Wag the Dog"** (Barry Levinson, 1997). See 19 Sunday. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Nil by Mouth"** (Gary Oldman, 1997). See 19 Sunday. Mich., 9:15 p.m.

## 21 TUESDAY

★**"How Successful People Think": U-M Commission for Women.** Talk by local psychologist Elizabeth Poage Baxter. Bring a bag lunch. *Noon–1 p.m., Michigan League Michigan Room. Free. 936–7634.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Newcomers Club of Ann Arbor.** Discussion of goals for daily living. Open to all women who have moved or returned to the Ann Arbor–Ypsilanti area. Preceded at 12:30 p.m. by coffee. *1 p.m., Ann Arbor Women's City Club, 1830 Washtenaw. Free. 994–3241.*

★**U-M Softball Doubleheader vs. Purdue.** *2 p.m., Alumni Field (behind Ray Fisher Stadium), S. State at Hoover. Free. 764–0247.*

★**John Barth: U-M Hopwood Awards Ceremony.** A talk by this celebrated satirical postmodern novelist highlights the annual awards ceremony for the best U-M undergraduate and graduate writing. Barth's fiction is often set on the coast of his native Maryland and ranges from *The Floating Opera* (about a man debating suicide) to the *Sot-Weed Factor* (a lusty parody of an 18th-century picaresque tale) to *The Tidewater Tales* (a lengthy novel about a novelist who claims he cannot write a projected novel). Barth received the 1997 F. Scott Fitzgerald Award for Distinguished Achievement in American Fiction. *3:30 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Free. 764–6296.*

★**Auditions for "The Hobbit": Young People's Theater.** *April 21 & 22.* Children ages 7 through teens are invited to try out for a part in an upcoming production of the play based on J. R. R. Tolkien's popular fantasy novel. *4:30–6:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Civic Theater, 2275 Platt Rd. at Huron Pkwy. (south of Washtenaw). Free (fee for those who are cast in the play). 996–3888.*

**"Do's and Don't's of the Internet": American Business Women's Association MAIA Chapter.** Dinner and a talk by U-M Information Technology program manager Gwen Reichbach. Preceded at 5:30 p.m. by a social hour. *6:30 p.m., Holiday Inn North Campus, 3600 Plymouth Rd. $15.50. For reservations, call Mary Cornelius at 995–8984 or Joyce Stackhouse at 475–4347.*

★**"Introduction to Fitting in Fitness": Whole Foods Market.** Local fitness expert Michelle Segar discusses fitness for women. *7–8:30 p.m., Tappan Middle School, room 106, 2251 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 971–3366.*

★**Debra Allbery: Borders Books and Music.** Reading by this local poet, who won the Agnes Lynch Starrett Poetry Prize for her 1991 book, *Walking Distance*, a collection of intimate, plainspoken poems about life in the American heartland. *7 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Profes-**

**sor Book Company.** See 20 Monday. Tonight's headliner: **Marjorie Shaefer** offers historical tales of interest to adults and older children. 7 p.m.

★**"Introduction to Lomi": Mind-Body-Spirit Seminars/Association for Humanistic Psychology.** Alani Galbraith-Kuzma and Tom Kuzma demonstrate and discuss Lomi Kea La Hoku, a Hawaiian sacred bodywork technique. *7:30 p.m., 310 Ashley. Free; donations accepted. 663–3574, 662–5438.*

★**"The Waldorf High School: Culmination of Your Child's Schooling": Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor.** Talk by Rudolf Steiner High School visiting teacher **Ron Jarman,** a former Waldorf high school science and math teacher in England. Jarman also gives a talk at the Rudolf Steiner House on April 24 (see listing). *7:30–9 p.m., Rudolf Steiner High School in the Genesis Bldg. (St. Clare's Episcopal Church/Temple Beth Emeth), 2309 Packard Rd. Free. 669–9394.*

**"The Crises of Modernity: East Meets West, Self-Hatred, and Marginality": Jewish Federation of Washtenaw County.** Last in a series of six monthly lectures on post-Enlightenment Jewish history by U-M Jewish and modern German history grad student Robin Esther Judd. Followed by questions. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). $5 ($25 for the entire series). 677–0100.*

★**"Technology: Opening Up a World of Possibilities": The Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan.** Ann Arbor Public Schools technology specialist Michael Smith and several of his students demonstrate various ways computers can be used to help students with learning disabilities. *7:30–9 p.m., Washtenaw Intermediate School District Bldg., 1819 S. Wagner Rd. Free. 665–4215, 484–3815.*

★**"Green Building Project": Sierra Club Monthly Meeting.** Talk by a representative from Recycle Ann Arbor. Followed by refreshments and socializing. All welcome. *7:30 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 665–7345.*

★**African-American Book Discussion Group: Packard Community Clinic.** All invited to discuss Lorene Cary's *The Price of a Child: a Novel,* a gripping tale of the experiences of an antebellum African-American slave who escapes to freedom with 2 of her 3 children. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Packard Community Clinic, 3174 Packard Rd. Free. 747–8016.*

★**"3rd Annual Poetry Contest": Shaman Drum Bookshop.** Readings by the winners in Shaman Drum's poetry contest. Also (time permitting), open mike readings. In celebration of National Poetry Month. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**Mahler's "Resurrection" Symphony: U-M School of Music.** *See review, p. 81.* Kenneth Kiesler directs the University Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Choir, and University Choir in Mahler's massive Second Symphony. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 764–0594.*

**John Renbourn & the Battlefield Band: The Ark.** Double bill featuring English folk veterans. A founding member of the classy late-60s English folk-jazz group Pentangle, Renbourn is a legendary flat-picking guitarist whose repertoire ranges from English folk songs and American blues to Renaissance dance tunes and Middle Eastern music. One of the key forces in the revival of interest in Scottish music that began in the mid-70s, the Battlefield Band plays everything from ancient Celtic tunes on highland pipes to traditional and original Scottish songs, along with occasional forays into American pop. *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $15 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

★**"Mina & Colossus": U-M School of Music.** See 19 Sunday. 8 p.m.

FILMS

**MTF. "Being There"** (Hal Ashby, 1979). Black comedy about a childlike man elevated to power by people who take him for a genius. Peter Sellers. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Nil by Mouth"** (Gary Oldman, 1997). See 19 Sunday. Mich., 9:30 p.m.

## 22 WEDNESDAY

★**Earth Day Birthday Party: Northeast Senior Center.** A potluck party with birthday cake for all seniors celebrating an April birthday, and a presentation by Bird Rescue of Huron Valley. *11 a.m., Dixboro United Methodist Church, 5221 Church Rd. (off N. Dixboro Rd. just north of Plymouth Rd.). Free. 996–0070.*

**"Secretaries' Day Spring Fashion Break": Planned Parenthood of Mid-Michigan.** Cash bar, lunch, fashion show, and raffle. Proceeds benefit Planned Parenthood's cancer screening program. *11:30 a.m., Sheraton Ann Arbor, 3200 Boardwalk. $30 includes raffle ticket. 973–0710, ext. 142.*

★**"Unsinkable: The Full Story of the RMS Titanic": Borders Books and Music.** Researcher and archivist Daniel Allen Butler talks about his book, the product of nearly 30 years' research on the tragic history of the Titanic. *7 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**"Short Story Awards Evening": Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** Lecture by **Heinz Insu Fenki,** an EMU creative writing professor whose autobiographical novel, *Memories of My Ghost Brother,* was a finalist for the 1997 PEN/Hemingway Award for first fiction. Also, announcement of winners in the library's annual Young Adult Short Story Contest. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**Kitty Donahue: Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** This Irish-American singer-songwriter from Detroit known for her bell-like soprano—an instrument that has been described as "rich, flexible, soaring, and haunting"—and her grittily realistic, bluesy original songs. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library West Branch, Westgate Shopping Center, 2503 Jackson Rd. Free. 327–4560.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Professor Book Company.** See 20 Monday. Tonight's headliner: **Mother Goose** (aka Trudy Bulkley) tells her famous nursery stories. 7 p.m.

★**"The Justice Gap": Washtenaw County Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union Annual Meeting.** Washtenaw County Family judge **Nancy Francis** and Washtenaw County community corrections manager **Nancy Riley** discuss civil liberties issues in the juvenile justice system. Preceded at 7:30 p.m. by a business meeting. All invited. *8 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw at Berkshire. Free. 662–8788.*

**Harry Connick Jr.: U-M Office of Major Events.** This engaging, Grammy-winning young New Orleans jazz singer-pianist is known for idiosyncratic keyboard interpretations of jazz, swing, and big band classics, and a singing voice somewhat reminiscent of the young Frank Sinatra. He's also emerged as a creative composer and songwriter and part-time actor. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Tickets $25–$35 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS or (248) 645–6666.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 3 & 8 p.m.

**"Totally Unrehearsed Theater": Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 1 Wednesday. 8:30 p.m.

FILMS

**U-M Architecture Students Film Society.** Showing of two experimental shorts: **"This Is a History of New York"** (Jem Cohen, 1987), which uses scenes from modern New York to evoke human history from the Stone Age to the Space Age; and **"La Jetee"** (Chris Marker, 1962), an experimental thriller that was the basis for Terry Gilliam's "12 Monkeys." FREE. Art & Architecture Auditorium, North Campus, 8:30 p.m. **U-M Michigan League. "Pulp Fiction"** (Quentin Tarantino, 1994). Video showing of this cult noir comedy hit about a couple of hit men. John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson, Harvey Keitel, Uma Thurman. FREE. Michigan League Underground, 7 p.m. **MTF. "The Sweet Hereafter"** (Atom Egoyan, 1997). *April 22 & 23.* Drama about a small Canadian town in the aftermath of a devastating accident that kills nearly all the children in the community. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Nil by Mouth"** (Gary Oldman, 1997). See 19 Sunday. Mich., 9:30 p.m.

## 23 THURSDAY

★**"Medley of Tunes": International Neighbors "International Day."** A vocal ensemble from Huron High School performs a medley of tunes from their recent production of *Brigadoon.* International Neighbors is a 39-year-old group, comprised of local women, organized to welcome women from other countries during their stays in Ann Arbor. Its membership currently includes 906 women from 81 countries. Nursery care provided for preschoolers. Refreshments. *9:30–11 a.m., Zion Lutheran Church Piper Hall, 1501 W. Liberty. Free. 663–6472, 995–0847.*

**"The Art of Living with Nature": U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens.** Slide-illustrated talk by *Michigan Gardener's Guide* coauthor Tim Boland. Luncheon features native Michigan fare. *Noon–2 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. $30 (MBG members, $25). Reservations required. 998–7061.*

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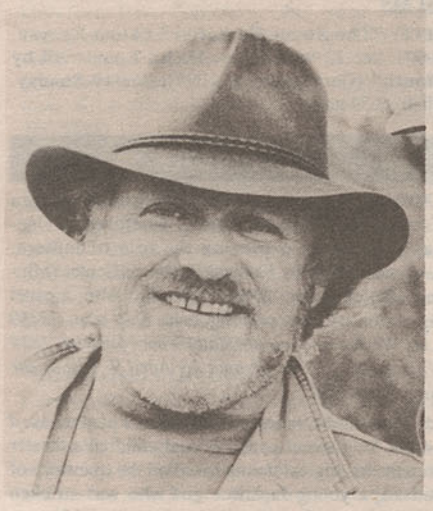

Eric Bogle is a disheveled, paunchy Australian in his fifties. When he performs, he's usually accompanied by a few skilled backup men who look and talk just like him. They're earthy, funny, the kind of guys you want to go have a few beers with after the show (where you would want to tell them all to give their jeans a good wash, or better still, buy new ones, a size larger). If you should happen to miss Bogle's April 29 show at the Ark, you might want to look him up in the folk section of your local record store.

Folk. Now there's a troublesome category for you. First, there's the oxymoronical notion that folk songs have writers or are written by your contemporaries. But we'd better accept that they do and they are, because if you don't, you'll never be able to find anything at Schoolkids'.

The bigger problem is that the term has become kind of meaningless. Back in Joan Baez's day, folk at least meant "sounds like a folk song/easy chords/keywords: ships, dogies, betrayal, etc." But now, it could just as well mean a guy who writes songs with forty-two chords, none of which resolve, and whose musical quest is to explain "why it's so hard to be me" (as WDET DJ Matt Watroba once dubbed this weaker end of the genre).

Eric Bogle is not one of those guys. He's a great contemporary songwriter who, like Gordon Bok and Stan Rodgers, uses classic Anglo-Saxon song forms to write about factory closings, displacement, genocide, shipwrecks, general hard times. He's been turning out songs of stunning power for three decades, along with the occasional comic ditty, just to keep his sanity, I suppose.

His two most famous songs are about World War I, and though they were written in the early 1970s as a bitter commentary on Vietnam, like all good folk songs, they only get better with age. Bogle can always be counted on to sing at least one of them. "Green Fields of France" is an elegy to a random grave in Flanders Fields. "And the Band Played Waltzing Matilda" describes the carnage of Australians in Gallipoli in uncompromisingly graphic and surprisingly poetic terms.

Bogle has won international awards and been on the international folk circuit for a long time. While he has produced albums steadily, he's not prolific. He always fills the house at the Ark, but he's not exactly a household name. Don't feel bad if you haven't heard of him—but do go see him.

*—Sonia Kovacs*

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★**Kindergarten Round-up: Ann Arbor Christian School.** Prospective kindergarteners and their parents invited to tour the facilities and meet staff of this interdenominational Christian school for children in grades K–5. *1:15–2:45 p.m., Ann Arbor Christian School, 1717 Broadway near Plymouth. Free. 741–4948.*

★**"Out of Bounds: A Discussion with Women in Nontraditional Occupations": SOS Community Services.** Discussion with speakers to be announced. *5 p.m., Genesis Foundation, Temple Beth Emeth/St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 2309 Packard. Free, but reservations requested by April 16. 485–8730.*

**"The ABC's of Remodeling": Washtenaw Remodelors Council.** *April 23 & 26.* Two-part seminar for home owners. Includes information kit, talks by experts, and question-and-answer sessions. These popular seminars usually sell out. *6 p.m., Home Builders Association Housing Center, 179 Little Lake Dr. (off Jackson Ave. in the Parkland Plaza Research Park). $10 (couples, $15). Reservations required. 996–0100.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Southeast Michigan Naturists/Michigan Nude Beach Advocates.** All invited to help plan social, educational, and political activities related to the development of official public nude beaches and other nudist social issues. *7 p.m., Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 475–9198.*

**"Tips & Tricks on the Internet": Ann Arbor District Library.** Hands-on introduction to quick, easy ways to simplify navigation of the World Wide Web. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**"National Library Week Challenge": Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** All invited to participate in an interactive game show hosted by the nationally acclaimed local clown, **O. J. Anderson,** a mischievous, merrily imaginative, and outrageously funny performer. Assisted by Laura Pershin Raynor in the role of Vanna White, Anderson randomly calls volunteers to compete in simple, funny, and probably embarrassing stunts, quizzes, and contests to win prizes donated by local merchants. *7–8:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipurpose room, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4560.*

★**"Introduction to Aromatherapy": Whole Foods Market.** Talk by local Aura Cacia aromatherapy representative Linda Greene. *7–8:30 p.m., Tappan Middle School, room 106, 2251 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 971–3366.*

★**"Selling 'Em by the Sack—White Castle and the Creation of American Food": Borders Books and Music.** Historian David Hogan discusses his book on the beginnings of the fast-food industry. Free White Castle hamburgers served. *7 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

★**Spring Auditions: Ann Arbor Youth Chorale.** *April 23–25.* Boys and girls ages 9–16 are invited to try out for this accomplished local children's chorus. *7–9 p.m. (April 23), 4–8 p.m. (April 24), 9 a.m.–3 p.m. (April 25) by appointment, Huron High School, 2727 Fuller Rd. Free. 996–4404.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Professor Book Company.** See 20 Monday. Tonight's headliner: **Judy Schmidt** shares folk tales and historical stories for adults and older children. 7 p.m.

★**"Acoustic Jam Session": Oz's Music.** All acoustic musicians invited. Hosted by Mike Northrup. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Oz's Music Environment, 1920 Packard. Free. 662–8283.*

★**Kindergarten (Gan) Information Night: Hebrew Day School of Ann Arbor.** All parents invited to meet HDS kindergarten teacher Wendy Rothman and learn about the school's full-day kindergarten, or gan, program. *8–9 p.m., Hebrew Day School, 2937 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. 971–4633.*

★**Writers Group: Barnes & Noble.** All writers invited to discuss and get feedback on their work. *8–9 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 3245 Washtenaw. Free. 677–6475.*

★**Kathleen Norris: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** This acclaimed religious writer reads from *Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith,* an exploration of the nature of Christian faith based on her own struggle back to the church after many years as a nonbeliever. Following the reading, Norris signs copies of her books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

**"Luz y Norte": The Harp Consort (University Musical Society).** This renowned early-music ensemble headed by harpist and psaltery player Andrew Lawrence-King presents music from *Luz y Norte,* a 17th-century compilation of Spanish, Italian, South American, and African dance music that has influenced musicians for centuries. Tonight's performance features a six-piece instrumental ensemble and a flamenco dancer and includes improvised Baroque dance and Spanish ballads as well as a *commedia dell'arte* "battaglia," in which a gallant Spanish captain takes on an entire army single-handed. *Gramophone* magazine called The Harp Consort's recording of this performance "a joyous experience not to be missed." Preceded by a free talk by director Lawrence-King (7 p.m., Michigan League Koessler Library). *8 p.m., Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Michigan League. Tickets $15 & $25 in advance at Burton Tower and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–2538 or (800) 221–1229.*

**Ray Wylie Hubbard: The Ark.** Best known as the author of the early 70s Jerry Jeff Walker hit "Up Against the Wall, Redneck Mother," this veteran Texas singer-songwriter writes wiry, warily intelligent songs that range from probing personal sagas to poignant character studies. His 1994 CD, *Loco Gringo's Lament,* was named "Independent Album of the Year" at the prestigious Kerrville Music Awards, and his latest CD, *Dangerous Spirits,* is an engagingly gritty collection of mostly original outlaw ballads and country-folk love songs. *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $12 (members, students, & seniors, $11) at the door only. 761–1451.*

**"Home": Huron High Players.** *April 23–26.* Bj Wallingford directs Huron students in Samm-Art Williams's poetic drama, a contemporary take on the tale of the prodigal son. It tells the story of an African-American man who leaves his rural home in North Carolina and suffers many trials and misfortunes before he finds redemption. *8 p.m., Huron High School, 2727 Fuller Rd. Ticket prices to be announced. 994–2097.*

**"Guys and Dolls": Concordia College.** *April 23–26.* Concordia students present this popular Frank Loesser musical based on Damon Runyan's stories and characters. Set in New York City in the 1930s, the action focuses on two contrasting romances, one a long-running liaison between a nightclub singer and a professional gambler and the other an unlikely affair between a high roller and a Salvation Army missionary. The lively score includes such favorites as "Luck Be a Lady," "Adelaide's Lament," "If I Were a Bell," and "Sit Down, You're Rocking the Boat." *8 p.m., Concordia College Kreft Center for the Arts, 4090 Geddes Rd. at Earhart. $10 (Concordia students & seniors, $5) in advance at the Kreft box office. To charge by phone, call 995–4612.*

**"How Could You Stoop SoLo": Walk & Squawk Performance Project.** *April 23–26.* An evening of hilarious and surprising solo theater pieces about love and cooking, time and traveling, and the geography of bodies. Written by Walk & Squawk codirectors Erika Block and Hilary Ramsden, and performed by Ramsden, the skits feature Walk & Squawk's trademark blend of words, movement, music, and physical comedy. Also, ticketholders to this show gain free admission (reservations required) to a theater workshop at the Walk & Squawk studio, 122 E. Mosley, offered on May 11 & 12. *8 p.m., Performance Network, 408 W. Washington. Tickets $15 (students & seniors, $12; Thursdays, whatever you can afford to pay) in advance by reservation and at the door. For reservations, call 663–0681; to charge by phone, call 663–0696.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Jackie Flynn: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** *April 23–25.* Ann Arbor debut of this up-and-coming young comic, winner of the prestigious San Francisco International Comedy Competition. He's known for sarcastic observational humor with a slight edge. Preceded by two opening acts. Alcohol is served. *8:30 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $9 (Thursday) & $12 (Friday & Saturday) in advance and at the door.*


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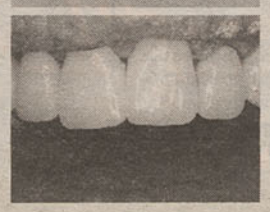

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**EVENTS** *continued*

*Group rates and other discounts available. 996–9080.*

**FILMS**

**MTF. "The Sweet Hereafter"** (Atom Egoyan, 1997). See 22 Wednesday. Mich., 7 p.m. **"Nil by Mouth"** (Gary Oldman, 1997). See 19 Sunday. Mich., 9:30 p.m.

## 24 FRIDAY

**"Making Room for Daddy": Washtenaw Area Council for Children Annual Conference.** One-day conference exploring the role of fathers. Keynote address by Fathers' Resource Center (Minneapolis) executive director Neil Tift. Also, a panel discussion of local professionals. *8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Washtenaw Intermediate School District, 1819 Wagner Rd. $25 in advance by April 9, $30 at the door. 761–7071.*

**"A Thousand Cranes": Wild Swan Theater.** *April 24–26.* This award-winning local children's theater presents its original drama based on the true story of Sadako, a young Japanese girl who was stricken with leukemia due to radiation poisoning 10 years after the bombing of Hiroshima. She believed, according to tradition, that if she could fold a thousand origami paper cranes she would get her wish—to recover from her illness. The production incorporates original music by Eric Santos and choreography by Noonie Anderson. As with all Wild Swan productions, the performance is interpreted in American Sign Language for deaf viewers, and backstage "touch tours" and audio description are available for blind audience members. Not recommended for children under age 8. *Note:* Audience members who know how to make origami paper cranes are encouraged to bring their figures to the show. After the performance, the cranes will be collected and sent to Hiroshima. *10 a.m., 12:30 & 7:30 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Towsley Auditorium, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Tickets $7 (children, $5) in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS. For group discounts or to arrange backstage tours, call Wild Swan Theater at 995–0530.*

★**The Yiddish Group: Jewish Community Center.** All invited to listen to readings and discuss Yiddish literature selections to be announced. *1:30–3 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). Free. 971–0990.*

★**"What's For Dinner?": Whole Foods Market.** Whole Foods staffers offer recipes and taste samples of quick and healthy meals. *3–7 p.m., Whole Foods Market, Lamp Post Plaza, 2398 E. Stadium. Free. 971–3366.*

★**"Raspberry Ale Release Party": Brewbakers.** Taste samples of the first batch of Brewbakers' 1998 raspberry ale. Also, finger foods prepared by Travis Pointe executive chef Denise Caurdy. *4–7 p.m., Brewbakers, 410 N. Fourth Ave. (below Workbench), Kerrytown. Free. 327–0772.*

**"Planting the Seeds of Hope": Catholic Social Services "After Hours" Celebration.** Silent auction of numerous donated goods and services. Hors d'oeuvres, wine, and live music. This festive annual event is CSS's principal fund-raiser for services to needy families. *6–9 p.m., Courthouse Square Apartments Runquist Ballroom, 100 S. Fourth Ave. $75. Reservations requested by April 17. 971–9781.*

★**"Introduction to Job Searching Resources": Ann Arbor District Library.** Introduction to online resources for finding employment. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Northeast Branch, 2713 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth Mall. Free. Preregistration required. 996–3180.*

★**"Richard Pettibone's Native American Dance and Cultural Troupe": Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** Performance of Native American dance and song by a troupe led by Pettibone, a Winnebago from Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Pettibone also displays and discusses Native American artifacts and answers questions about Native American culture. *7–8 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Northeast Branch, 2713 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth Mall. Free. 327–4560.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Professor Book Company.** See 20 Monday. Tonight's headliner: **Greg Harris** shares stories from his childhood, "Travels with a Navy Brat." 7 p.m.

**John Friedlander: Essence Point.** This local psychic, coauthor of *The Practical Psychic* and a member of Jane Roberts's original Seth channeling group, channels Seth and takes questions. *7:30–9:30 p.m., Unity Church, 4599 Carpenter Rd. $10. 913–9830.*

**"The Challenge of the 21st Century": Great Lakes Branch of the Anthroposophical Society of America.** Lecture by **Ron Jarman** (see 21 Tuesday listing). *8 p.m., Rudolf Steiner House, 1923 Geddes Ave. $8. 665–7166.*

★**"Vernal Pond Adventure": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner leads a hike to one of the park's vernal ponds to look and listen for frogs and salamanders and other signs of spring. Wear weatherproof boots and dress for the weather. Bring a flashlight if you have one. *8 p.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Oak Meadows Picnic Area, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration requested. 426–8211.*

**Fourth Friday Fling Advanced Contra Dance.** Fast-paced, occasionally complex dances for experienced contra dancers called by Peter Baker to live music by the Contrapreneurs. *8 p.m., Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (1/2 mile south of I-94). $7. 665–8863.*

**"Spring Concert": Women's Chamber Chorus.** This popular local choir led by Gini Robison performs works by Mozart and Schubert, along with a medley of songs from *The Wizard of Oz* soundtrack. *8 p.m., Calvary Presbyterian Church, 2727 Fernwood. Donation. 677–0678, 663–5907.*

★**EMU Choirs: EMU Music Department.** Leonard Riccinto directs these EMU music-student choral ensembles. *8 p.m., Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Free. 487–2255.*

**Shawn Colvin: The Ark/Prism Productions.** This acclaimed pop-folk singer-songwriter is known for her arresting blend of emotional intensity, hauntingly luminous imagery, and sardonic wit. Her 1997 CD, *A Few Small Repairs* (which includes the Grammy-winning song "Sunny Came Home"), is a collection of songs exploring a variety of responses to romantic disaster. Opening act is **Loudon Wainwright III** *(see review, p. 85)*, the veteran singer-songwriter known for his mordant, occasionally bitterly self-mocking, often poignant, and usually very funny original songs about himself, other people, and contemporary culture. Wainwright is also a purposefully weird performer, at once ingratiatingly Chaplinesque and freakishly ill at ease. *8 p.m., Michigan Theater. Tickets $25–$35 in advance at Schoolkids', the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets; and at the door. To charge by phone, call (248) 645–6666.*

**"Marsalis/Stravinsky": University Musical Society.** *Sold out.* Trumpeter Wynton Marsalis directs a chamber ensemble in the world premiere of his narrated tone poem based on Igor Stravinsky's *L'Histoire du Soldat*. The group also performs Stravinsky's original work. Preceded by a free talk by U-M music professors Travis Jackson and Glenn Watkins on **"Marsalis and Stravinsky: A Dialogue"** (7 p.m., Michigan League Henderson Room). *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. $25–$40. Some standing room or returned tickets may be available beginning April 10. 764–2538, (800) 221–1229.*

**"14th Annual Spring Concert": Ann Arbor Dance Works.** *April 24 & 25.* The U-M dance department's internationally acclaimed resident professional company presents a program of new and repertory works by four resident choreographers, U-M dance professors **Gay Delanghe, Sandra Torijano DeYoung, Robin Wilson,** and **Bill DeYoung.** Torijano DeYoung presents *Arbol de la Esperanza Mantente Firme*, her group work based on the life of Mexican painter Frida Kahlo, set to a score by various Costa Rican composers, and she also premieres a new solo. Wilson directs U-M dance students Courtney Murphy and Laila Sales in *Etude*, a duet by Donald McKayle, a 20th-century choreographer noted for both his commercial and concert works. Michael Phillips and Colin Mysliwiec perform *Ikon*, Bill DeYoung's intensely dramatic duet set to music by U-M music school grad David Gregory. Also, Delanghe, Torijano DeYoung, and Wilson premiere works set to music by Nicholas Brooke (Delanghe), Karl Gerber (Torijano DeYoung), and Ginader Gerhard (Wilson)—all composers scheduled to participate in the 1998 International Computer Music Conference to be held in town next fall. *8 p.m., U-M Dance Bldg. Betty Pease Studio, 1310 North University Ct. Tickets $8 (students & seniors, $5) in advance at the Michigan League Box Office and at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–0450.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Home": Huron High Players.** See 23 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** See 17

**Local soprano Katherine Larson is the featured soloist in Strauss's *Four Last Songs* with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Sat., April 25, at the Michigan Theater. The AASO's final season concert also includes a premiere of a work by local composer Bright Sheng.**

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Friday. 8 p.m.

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**Jackie Flynn: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 23 Thursday. 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.

★ **"Fidelity": Zola Philosophy Salon.** All invited to join an evening of adult conversation moderated by Don Demetriades. With celebrity guests to be announced. *9–11 p.m., Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington. Free. 769–2020.*

FILMS

No films.

## 25 SATURDAY

**4-H New and Used Tack Sale: Washtenaw Farm Council.** 4-H students offer a wide variety of horse equipment, riding clothes, and related items for sale. *8 a.m.–3 p.m., Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. Free admission. 971–0049. Show grounds: 429–3145.*

**"Bearly" Used Sale: First United Methodist Cooperative Nursery.** Sale of toys, clothes, and household items donated by 80 families. A fund-raiser for this local preschool. *8 a.m.–1 p.m., First Methodist Church, 120 S. State at Huron. Free admission. 747–8604.*

**Spring Festival: Bethel A.M.E. Church Quality of Life Resource Center.** Sale of a wide variety of arts, crafts, and books. Several Michigan and national authors, including children's author **Betty Horvath,** are on hand to sign copies of their books. Also, signed copies of books by Mitch Albom and Mort Crim. Proceeds go to buying new back-to-school clothes for Washtenaw County's needy children. *9 a.m.–4 p.m., Pioneer High School, 601 W. Stadium at S. Main. Admission $2 (children 10 & under, free with an adult). 663–3800, 665–1221.*

★**1998 Central Region College Ultimate Frisbee Championships: U-M Ultimate Frisbee Club.** *April 25 & 26.* 36 men's & women's teams from the Central region (which stretches from Ohio to Colorado) compete for spots in the Nationals, held in Minneapolis in May. *9 a.m.–6 p.m., U-M Mitchell Field (women's teams) & Concordia College athletic field (men's teams). Free. 665–3431.*

**"The Magical Years: 15th Annual Conference on Parenting and Waldorf Education": Informed Birth and Parenting.** *April 25 & 26.* Two days of workshops exploring **"Growth and Transformation: Becoming the Person/Parent You Want to Be,"** led by local and visiting Waldorf educators. Keynote speakers are **Margi Matthews,** codirector of the counseling and biography program of the Biography and Social Development Trust in Sussex, England; **William Bento,** a marriage, family, and child counselor from Colorado; and **Lee Sturgeon-Day,** a counselor and adult educator from California. Geared toward parents and teachers, the conference draws on principles of Waldorf education developed by Rudolf Steiner. *9 a.m.–5:15 p.m., Rudolf Steiner School, 2755 Newport Rd. $75 (couples, $110) per day includes lunch. Discounts available for Waldorf teachers and parents. Preregistration required. 662–6857.*

★**U-M Women's Rugby vs. Columbus.** The U-M college team (a squad of U-M undergrads) plays this club team from Columbus, Ohio. Also, the U-M club team (which includes players unaffiliated with the U-M as well as current & former U-M students) plays **North Shore,** a club team from Chicago. *10 a.m., Elbel Field, S. Division at Hoover. Free. 332–9009.*

★**"Community Home Buyer's Program": Bryant Community Center (Ann Arbor Parks Department).** Standard Federal Bank lending officer Cynthia Akah presents a seminar for people with low to moderate incomes who want to purchase a home. Refreshments. *10 a.m.–noon, Bryant Community Center, 3 W. Eden Ct. (off Champagne from Stone School Rd., just north of Ellsworth). Free. Preregistration requested. 994–2722.*

**"Information Marketplace."** *April 25 & 26.* A two-day festival devoted to **Feng Shui,** the Chinese philosophy that the placement of furniture and household arrangements affects mental and physical well-being. Includes many booths with merchandise and crafts, and classes ($29 each) throughout the weekend. Also, Feng Shui experts are on hand for mini-consultations. *10 a.m.–4 p.m., Michigan Union. $3 admission at the door. For class registration, call (888) 780–SOUL.*

★**"Nature Stories for Kids": Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs.** Hudson Mills naturalist Faye Stoner presents a program of stories and other activities about pond animals for kids ages 4–7. *10 a.m., Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Rd. (between Dexter-Pinckney Rd. & Huron River Dr.), Dexter. Free. (Park entry fee: $3 per vehicle.) Preregistration requested. 426–8211.*

**"Big Spring Book Sale": Friends of the Ann Arbor District Library.** *April 25–27.* A chance to stock up for summer reading: thousands of used books, alphabetized and sorted by genre. Also, used records. Today: all hardbacks, 50¢; all paperbacks & records, 25¢. April 26 & 27 specials: fill a grocery bag with books and records for $4, or you can buy 10 records for $1. After the sale concludes on Monday, the bookshop is closed until September. *10 a.m.–4 p.m. (April 25), 1–4 p.m. (April 26), & 10 a.m.–8 p.m. (April 27), Ann Arbor District Library (lower level), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free admission. 994–2333.*

★**"Great Space Adventures": Michigan Space Grant Consortium.** A day of family-oriented programs for kids ages K–12 on space science and related technology. Includes talks by former astronauts, exhibits from last month's Southeast Michigan Science Fair, and hands-on activities, including rocket building and launching, glider design, optics experiments, recreating a shuttle flight, and "Eggbert's crash-lander." Children must be accompanied by a parent. *11 a.m.–4 p.m., U-M Electrical Engineering Computer Science Atrium, North Campus. Free. 764–9508.*

★**"Earth Day Adventure": U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens.** Fun and educational environmental activities for the whole family, including nature walks, demonstrations, hands-on gardening projects, and more. Live entertainment to be announced. *Noon–4 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. 998–7061.*

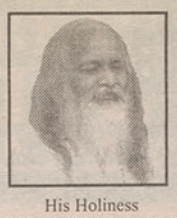
**"Bird Feeding and Bird Watching": Leslie Science Center (Ann Arbor Parks Department).** Slide-illustrated talk by Wild Birds Unlimited staffers. *1–2:30 p.m., Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Rd. $4 (families, $15). Preregistration required. 662–7802.*

★**"Weight Loss: What Works, What Doesn't": St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.** Weight-control expo for adults and children. *1–5 p.m., St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5301 E. Huron River Dr. Free, but reservations required. 712–5400, (800) 231–2211.*

★**U-M Men's Rugby vs. Cincinnati Wolfhounds & Windsor Rogues.** The U-M team plays matches against these two noncollegiate rugby teams. *1 p.m., Elbel Field, corner of Hill and Division. Free. 930–2607.*

★**U-M Softball Doubleheader vs. Iowa.** *April 25 (doubleheader) & 26 (single game).* Highlight of the home season. The U-M has won 3 straight Big Ten championships, but Iowa, its chief conference rival, has upset the U-M in the College World Series each of the last 3 years. *1 p.m., Alumni Field (behind Ray Fisher Stadium), S. State at Hoover. Free. 764–0247.*

★**The Amazing Spizer: Ann Arbor District Library National Library Week Celebration.** Family-oriented magic and juggling show by James Spizer. *1–2 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library multipur-*

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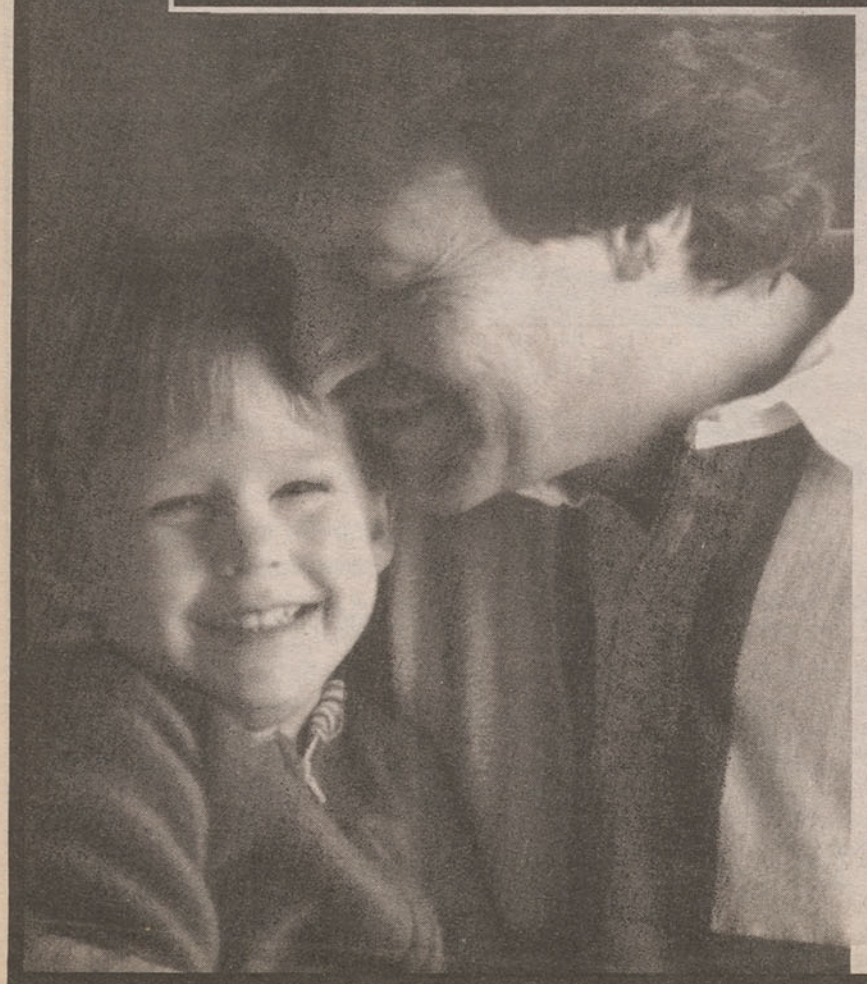

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**"A Thousand Cranes": Wild Swan Theater.** See 24 Friday. 2 p.m.

★**Kiri Tollaksen: U-M School of Music.** This cornetto player, a U-M music grad student, is joined by other early-music players for performances of works by Castello, Palestrina, Purcell, and others. The cornetto is a 17th-century wind instrument resembling a curved recorder with a cup brass mouthpiece. *3 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Blanche Anderson Moore Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 662–9168.*

★**Student Film Screening: U-M Program in Film and Video Studies.** Showing of U-M student films, videos, and animation made during the spring semester. *4 p.m., 1324 East Hall, 525 East University. Free. 764–0147.*

**"Kids Night Out!": Jewish Community Center.** All kids in kindergarten through age 10 invited to enjoy a pizza dinner, make-your-own sundae, sports in the gym, ping-pong, arts & crafts activities, movies with popcorn, and more. *6:30–10:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. (off Stone School Rd. south of Packard). $16 (JCC members, $13), $11 (JCC members, $9) for additional siblings. Reservations required by April 21. 971–0990.*

★**1st Annual Storytelling Festival: Little Professor Book Company.** See 20 Monday. Tonight's headliner: **Eric Engel** shares folk tales and historical stories for adults and older children. 7 p.m.

**Cheryl Wheeler: The Ark.** This versatile, veteran singer-songwriter is known for her hauntingly pure voice, biting sense of humor, and alternately poignant and whimsical songs about human relationships and everyday life. Her songs have been recorded by the likes of Suzy Bogguss, Nanci Griffith, Maura O'Connell, and Bette Midler, and her latest CD, *Mrs. Pinocci's Guitar*, is a rich musical blend of folk, country, rock, and pop influences. Opening act is **Don White,** a highly regarded singer-songwriter known for his uproarious sense of humor. *7:30 & 9:30 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $12.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**English Country Dance.** Erna-Lynne Bogue calls traditional English dances, with live music by Debbie Jackson and Paul Winder. All dances taught; new dancers welcome. No partner necessary. Wear comfortable shoes and casual clothes. *8–11 p.m., Webster Community Hall, across from Webster Church on Webster Church Rd. (1 mile south of North Territorial), Dexter. $6. 483–2291.*

**"Folk Dance Party": The Ethnic Connection.** Folk dancing, mostly Balkan and Israeli line dances, to live music by this popular local Eastern European quartet. Easy to intermediate. No partner needed. *8–11 p.m., the barn at Gretchen's House V, 2625 Traver Rd. (near Nixon). $6. 662–5253.*

★**"Piano Camp": U-M Year of the Humanities & Arts.** A 12-hour marathon of campy films featuring pianos & pianists kicks off with a short of Richard Nixon playing the piano. Also: ***A Song to Remember*** (Charles Vidor, 1945). Biography of Chopin. Cornell Wilde, Merle Oberon, Paul Muni. ***Deception*** (Irving Rapper, 1946). A cellist (Paul Heinreid) finds his true love (pianist Bette Davis) shacked up with a composer (Claude Rains). ***The Five Thousand Fingers of Dr. T*** (Roy Rowland, 1953). Adaptation of a Dr. Seuss story about a tyrannical piano teacher. Hans Conreid, Tommy Rettig. ***Mad Love*** (Karl Freund, 1935). Horror tale about a pianist who loses and regains his hands. Peter Lorre, Frances Drake. ***Song of Love*** (Clarence Brown, 1947). Drama about the relationship between Brahms and the Schumanns. Katharine Hepburn, Robert Wagner, Paul Henreid. ***The Music Lovers*** (Ken Russell, 1970). Melodrama about Tchaikovsky's sex life. Richard Chamberlain, Glenda Jackson. *8 p.m.–8 a.m., Chrysler Center Auditorium, 2121 Bonisteel, North Campus. Free. 763–6048.*

**Shell: Fourth Avenue Gallery.** Original urban folk songs by this Detroit singer-songwriter. Opening act is acoustic folk-rocker **Lance Lou Long.** *8 p.m., Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. $5 (seniors & children 12 & under, free). 327–2041.*

**Spring Concert: The Donald Bryant Singers.** Donald Bryant, the retired University Choral Union

**American Guild of Organists competition winner Heather Hinton gives a solo recital Sun., April 26, on the magnificent Hill Auditorium organ.**

conductor and First Presbyterian Church music director, conducts this 25-voice local chorus in a program of folk songs, spirituals, his own songs, and songs by Vivaldi, Schubert, Brahms, and Rachmaninoff. *8 p.m., Northside Community Church, 929 Barton Drive. Donation. 769–4742.*

**"From Words to Music": Our Lady's Madrigal Singers.** This local Renaissance chorus performs a program of English composers' settings of English poetry. *8 p.m., Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Ave. Wheelchair-accessible. $10 (students & seniors, $7) in advance or at the door. 665–7823.*

**Season Finale: Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra.** Sam Wong directs this professional community ensemble in its final program of the season. Includes the local premiere of award-winning Ann Arbor composer Bright Sheng's *China Dreams*. Also, Strauss's moving *Four Last Songs*, with local soprano soloist **Katherine Larson,** and Manuel deFalla's sprightly *Three Cornered Hat*. Prior to the performance, a "Meet the Performers" lecture with Wong and Sheng (7 p.m.). Free popcorn and soda for kids. *8 p.m., Michigan Theater. Tickets $16–$29 (children, $5–$10), available in advance at the AASO office, 527 E. Liberty, Suite 208, or day of performance at the Michigan Theater box office. Discounts available for students, seniors, & children. 994–4801.*

**"Choreographers' Invitational": Washtenaw Dance Association.** *April 25 & 26.* Choreographers from across Michigan present a diverse array of original dances in this benefit for the Rudolf Steiner School. **Robert Santacroce** and **Claudia Fontana** perform Eurythmy, a dance form associated with the teachings of Rudolf Steiner. **Connie Moore** performs *Cry from the Heart*, a dramatic piece depicting the trials of Middle Eastern Baha'i women, and the lighthearted *Humors of the Renaissance Woman*. **Greg Patterson** performs *Who's the Boss*, a work set to music of Gershwin. **Mary Weed** performs an excerpt from her *Tunisian Suite*, a sword dance performed to drum solo. **Janet Clayton** performs her lyrical, emotional *Surrender . . . My Heart, My Soul*. **Michelle Millman** performs her whimsical modern dance *Stravinsky Unhinged*. **Tricia Wise** presents *Passion Piece*, a religious work set to original music, and **Suzanne Willets** performs her work *Woman* to music of Pele Juju. *8 p.m., Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Michigan League. Tickets $14 (students & seniors, $12), available in advance at Little Professor, First Position, Dancer's Boutique, and the Rudolf Steiner School. 663–6364.*

**Tim Berne's Paraphase: Kerrytown Concert House "Jazz at the Edge" Series.** Saxophonist Berne, an acclaimed composer and improviser and a leading figure in the fertile downtown music scene in New York City, appears with his new avant-garde jazz trio. Paraphrase retains much of the style of Berne's quartet Bloodcount—alternating fast-paced, tightly arranged ensemble workouts with quiet chamber-like passages—while venturing into more highly charged, extended forays into emotional expressionism and textural exploration. The group's other members are drummer Tom Rainey and bassist Drew Gress. The trio has released a CD, *Visitation Rites*. *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10, $15, & $25. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**Elton John: U-M Office of Major Events.** *Sold out. 8 p.m., Crisler Arena. Tickets $44.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all other Ticketmaster outlets. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS or (248) 645–6666.*

**"14th Annual Spring Concert": Ann Arbor Dance Works.** See 24 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 3 & 8 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** See 17 Friday. 8 p.m.

**"Home": Huron High Players.** See 23 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Guys and Dolls": Concordia College.** See 23 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"How Could You Stoop SoLo": Walk & Squawk Performance Project.** See 23 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**Jackie Flynn: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 23 Thursday. 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.

★**Open House: University Lowbrow Astronomers.** A chance to join local astronomy buffs for a look at the sky through instruments at the Peach Mountain Observatory. The observatory's huge, 24-inch McMath telescope is operational, but participants are nevertheless encouraged to bring their own telescopes. Visitors must turn off all electronic equipment (car radios, transmitters, cellular phones, etc.) at the observatory entrance. Program canceled if sky is overcast at sunset. *Sunset–12:30 p.m. (as long as the sky remains clear), Peach Mountain Observatory, North Territorial Rd. (about 1 1/4 miles west of Hudson Mills Metropark). Free. 480–4514.*

**Kol Hakavod: Hillel.** This popular local a cappella chorus specializes in Jewish songs from traditional to contemporary. They have performed throughout the U.S. and released two CDs. *9 p.m., Hillel, 1429 Hill St. $5 (students, $3) at the door. 769–0500.*

FILMS

**U-M Year of the Humanities & Arts. "Piano Camp."** See Events listing above. FREE. Chrysler Center Auditorium (2121 Bonisteel, North Campus), 8 p.m.–8 a.m.

## 26 SUNDAY

**Spring All-Breed Dog Show: Ann Arbor Kennel Club.** One of the country's largest shows (it outgrew its Ann Arbor location years ago), this annual event is expected to draw more than 2,000 dogs representing about 120 breeds as they compete for conformity to American Kennel Club breed standards of looks and movement. Also, various obedience competitions. Noncompeting pets are not allowed on the grounds. *8 a.m.–4 p.m., Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe. (Take US-23 south to M-50, go east to fairgrounds.) Admission $4 per car. 971–5117.*

**18th Annual Classic Bicycle Swap Meet: Classic Bike and Whizzer Club.** Annual show and swap of bicycles and Whizzers (a motorized bike briefly popular in the 50s). More than 1,000 bicycles displayed or for sale, from the high-wheeled ordinaries of the 1880s to contemporary ten-speeds from the 1970s bike boom era. Also, bicycle parts, accessories, and memorabilia from every era. Bicycle auction 11:30 a.m. Door prizes at closing. Swap spaces available for bicycle-related merchandise ($25 & $30 inside, $20 outdoors; preregistration advised.) *8 a.m.–3 p.m., Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. $2 admission. For information, call Paul or Anne Kleppert at (810) 642–6639 evenings prior to April 25.*

★**1998 Walk America: March of Dimes.** The nation's largest walking event, taking place this weekend in cities all across America. More than 1,500 people are expected to participate locally. The 8-mile course circles through downtown Ann Arbor and along the Huron River, beginning and ending at the One on One Athletic Club. Rest stops and refreshments along the way; transportation available for those who choose not to complete the entire route. Walkers collect pledges prior to the event, and receive a ticket redeemable for prizes at the post-walk festivities. All proceeds benefit research for the prevention of birth defects. *8 a.m. (registration begins), 9 a.m. (walk), One on One Athletic Club, 2875 Boardwalk at Eisenhower. Free; pledge forms available at Kmart and other area stores, or call 761–6331.*

★**"Adopt-a-Highway Clean-Up": Sierra Club.** All invited to meet for breakfast and then head out to pick up trash along a 2-mile stretch of M-14. *8:30 a.m., Big Boy, Plymouth Rd. between US-23 and Green Rd. Free (buy your own breakfast). 769–9247.*

★**"Azalea Metric and Grape Century Ride": Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.** Fast-paced 100-mile and moderate-paced 62-mile (100-km) rides through the rapidly disappearing farm country south and east of Ann Arbor. Also, a slow-paced 30-mile


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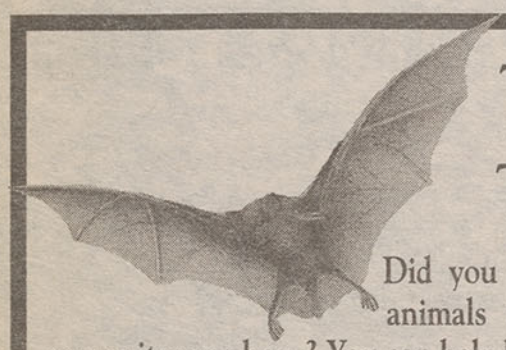

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**13th Annual Chocolate Extravaganza: Hadassah.** A chocoholic's dream, this hugely popular annual event offers samples of chocolate in almost every form imaginable—candies, cookies, cakes, ice cream, and more—from some 16 local confectioners and restaurateurs. Demonstrations, displays, and live entertainment, as well as numerous door prizes. Local nutrition expert and cookbook author Zonya Foco discusses enjoying chocolate without guilt. All sessions usually sell out, so it's a good idea to get tickets in advance. *Noon, 2, & 4 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Morris J. Lawrence Bldg., 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Tickets $14.50 in advance at Temple Beth Emeth, Beth Israel Congregation, Food & Drug Mart, Little Professor, and Merchant of Vino; $17 (if available) at the door. 741–9537.*

★**"Introduction to Reiki": Jewel Heart.** *April 26 & 28.* Local Reiki practitioner Mary Beth Rossiter explains this simple technique for self-healing and healing others. Also, free mini-treatments. *1–2:30 p.m. (April 26) & 5:30–7 p.m. (April 28), Jewel Heart Store, 208 S. Ashley. Free. Space limited; preregistration required. 994–3387.*

★**Earth Day Festival: Ecology Center/Project Grow/Ann Arbor Parks Department.** Educational displays (including alternative fuel vehicles), environmental experiments and art projects, musical entertainment, storytelling, and tree care demonstrations. Special events include live animal presentations by Joe Rogers of Wildlife Recovery (1 & 2:30 p.m.), and an energy magic show presented by Detroit Edison (3:30 p.m.). The festival also includes the annual **"All Species Parade"** (1 p.m.), a colorful costume parade in which participants represent various endangered species. Last-minute participants are welcome to join the parade (and to get their faces painted for free). The parade route begins at Wheeler Park and concludes at Leslie Science Center. All encouraged to ride their bikes to the festival. *1–5 p.m., Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Rd. Free. 662–7802.*

★**"Ontario, Canada: Sources and Resources": Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County.** Talk by Joan Griffin, an avid genealogist from Plymouth. Followed by a panel discussion by club members on **"There Are No Dumb Questions in Genealogy."** *1:30 p.m., Washtenaw Community College Liberal Arts & Science Bldg., lecture hall 2, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Free. 483–2799.*

**"Little Red Riding Hood": Theaterworks USA (Michigan Theater Foundation "Not Just for Kids Series").** This renowned New York City–based children's theater troupe returns to the Michigan Theater with a lavishly staged production of its original adaptation of this classic fairy tale. Theaterworks is the country's most widely heralded producer of professional theater for young and family audiences. Its origins date from 1961, when *Young Abe Lincoln* became the first young people's production to play on Broadway. *1:30 p.m., Michigan Theater. Tickets $10 (MTF members, $8.50) in advance at Schoolkids' and the Michigan Union Ticket Office, and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"Spring Wildflower Walk": Waterloo Natural History Association.** Naturalist Tom Hodgson leads a walk to discover the colorful spring wildflowers blooming along the Geology Center's trails. *2–3:30 p.m., Gerald E. Eddy Geology Center, Bush Rd., Chelsea. For directions, see 5 Sunday "Bear Country" listing. $2 (families, $5; WNHA members, free). Preregistration required. $4 vehicle entry fee, unless you already have a state motor vehicle permit ($20 per year). 475–3170.*

**Fourth Sunday Family Dance Series: Cobblestone Country Dancers.** Square and contra dancing to live music by the string band Sandy River Belle, with popular local callers David Park Williams and John Freeman. Geared toward families and children. All dances taught; beginners welcome. No partner necessary. *2–4:30 p.m., Cobblestone Farm Barn, 2781 Packard (next to Buhr Park). $6 (families, $10). 975–9059, 994–2928.*

★**"Tales from the Berlin Wall": Little Professor Book Company.** Author Marianna Strumpel Katona, a former Ann Arborite and U-M grad who married a German and spent much of her adult life in West Berlin, discusses her autobiographical book. *2 p.m., Little Professor, Westgate Shopping Center. Free. 662–4110.*

**Choreographers' Invitational: Washtenaw Dance Association.** See 25 Saturday. 2 p.m.

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"The Merchant of Venice": Ann Arbor Civic Theater.** See 16 Thursday. 2 p.m.

**"Home": Huron High Players.** See 23 Thursday. 2 p.m.

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**"Guys and Dolls": Concordia College.** See 23 Thursday. 2:30 p.m.

**Monthly Meeting: Vegetarian Information Network & Exchange.** Local animal activist Doris Dixon discusses her recently published autobiography. Preceded by a **potluck;** bring a vegan (no dairy, eggs, honey, or other animal products) dish to share, with recipe and serving utensil, and your own table service. *2:30 p.m., Guild House, 802 Monroe at Oakland, $6 ($1 if you bring something for the potluck). 426–8525, (517) 423–3226.*

**Japanese Tea Ceremony: U-M Museum of Art.** Tea ceremony practitioners enact a traditional Japanese tea ceremony (about 25 minutes) in the museum's beautiful teahouse, followed by a short discussion on the ritual's symbolism. This month's ceremony follows the Sekishu style. *3 p.m., UMMA, 525 S. State at South University. $3 suggested donation. 764–0395.*

**1998 Annie Awards: Washtenaw Council for the Arts.** WEMU music director *Linda Yohn* hosts this awards ceremony for the winners of WCA's 12th annual Annie Awards. Entertainment includes performance poet **Decky Alexander,** jazz vocalist **Susan Chastain,** Young People's Theater, and others to be announced. Awards are given for excellence in 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional visual arts, music, dance, theater, poetry, fiction, nonfiction, youth artist or organization, emerging artist or organization, volunteer service to the arts, service to the arts, and business support of the arts. Also, the **Little Auction Annies,** an auction of donated items to raise money for arts scholarships for area youths. Followed by an "afterglow" reception. *3–5 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $15 in advance and at the door. 484–4882.*

**"Haydn's Creation": First Presbyterian Church Sacred Music Series.** First Presbyterian music director Susan Wilburn conducts the church's chancel choir and orchestra in a 200th-anniversary performance of this popular oratorio, a setting of the account of the seven days of creation from Milton's *Paradise Lost. 4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. Tickets $10 in advance and at the door. 662–4466.*

**Aebersold and Neiweem: Great Lakes Performing Artists Association.** The husband-and-wife piano duo of Claire Aebersold and Ralph Neiweem are known internationally as exponents of the two-piano and four-hand repertoire. Program to be announced. *4 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $8 & $12 (students, $5). Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

★**"Yom HaShoah (Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust) Evening of the Arts": Temple Beth Emeth.** A brief Yom HaShoah service is followed by a variety of performances by local Jewish artists. Musical entertainment includes klezmer music by the ensemble of flutist **Deborah Katz,** keyboardist **David Gitterman,** and two members of the Klezmer Fusion Band, clarinetist **Ralph Katz** and trumpeter-vocalist **Neil Alexander.** Also, Jewish songs by the **Shabbat Sisters** trio, the duo of **David and Susan Gitterman,** the duo of **Steve Rhodes and Carol Milstein,** and **Shir Chadash,** Temple Beth Emeth's middle and high school choir. **Miriam Winter** reads from her *Trains: A Memoir of a Hidden Childhood During and After World War II,* and **Ken Wachsenberger** reads from his *The Last Selection: A Child's Journey Through the Holocaust.* Also, readings by local children's author **Valerie Carey, Diana Lawrence** and other Temple Beth Emeth students, and Holocaust survivor **Sydney Finkel,** an educator from the Chicago branch of the Facing History: Facing Ourselves Holocaust education center. Also, announcement of winners of the Olga Bodek Hern Essay Contest, and display of heirloom photos, slides, videos, artwork, and writings reflecting life both before and after the Holocaust. The exhibits include theater costumes by local costumer Edith Bookstein and slide & video displays by local multimedia designer Howard Morris. Also, all are invited to help with Temple Beth Emeth's Thousand Stars Project, an origami sculpture that will be donated to the Holocaust Memorial Center in West Bloomfield. The program begins at 5:30 p.m. with a **potluck dinner** (reservations required). All invited to bring a dish to share using a family recipe or a recipe from a food file prepared by local nutritionist and food historian Maureen

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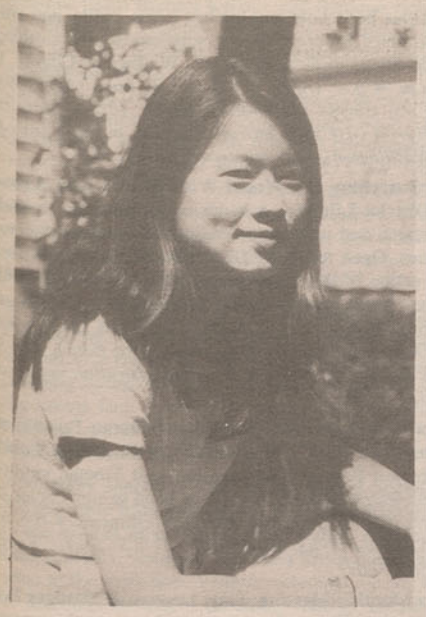

### Catherine Seto
**Immigrant magic**

One year after getting an M.F.A. degree at the U-M, where she won several Hopwood Awards, Catherine Seto is just beginning to publish in national literary journals. Already, however, her work has prompted queries from literary agents and publishers. Seto's stories turn on one of the great themes of American literature: the experience of immigrants learning to live in a new place, even as they enrich their new home with what they bring to it from the Old Country. Seto's immigrants come from rural China, bringing to the cities of late-twentieth-century North America a sense of magic and tradition.

In "The Other," a story that appears in the most recent issue of *Glimmer Train*, a young woman returns with her parents to northern China to assist at the death of her aunt. The dying woman has a sixth toe, a fact she sees as a token of good fortune. The young woman has only one breast, a fact she views as a deformity. The story turns on this conflict of interpretation, moving to its inevitable ending through Seto's quiet and lyrical sentences.

In "Killer," a short story that will appear in the next issue of *Triquarterly*, a man called Han is killed in a circus accident in China. The two young sisters who loved him blame themselves for his death and flee to Toronto to escape his ghost. One sister is able to build a new life in the Chinatown section of Toronto; but the dead performer slowly begins to dominate the other sister's life: "He was spoiling Toronto for her, which she would have loved completely for its flowering parks and red streetcars, had not everything she did in the day end up as a nightmare of Han."

Catherine Seto joins Tom Lynch, the internationally renowned poet from Milford, at Kerrytown Concert House on Wednesday, April 29. The event is the premiere of the Great Lakes Literary Alliance's "Lake Effect" readings, a series that pairs established and emerging writers.

*—Keith Taylor*

Bernard. *6:30–9:30 p.m., Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Rd. Free. 665–4744.*

★**SCORE Concert: Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts.** *See review, p. 91.* The local Michigan Children of SCORE (Strings, Choral, Orff, and Recorder Ensemble) join the Virginia-based American Children of SCORE for a joint concert. *7 p.m., Huron Hills Baptist Church, 3150 Glazier Way. Free, but donations accepted. 995–4625.*

**5th Annual Spring Concert: Vocal Arts Ensemble.** This 16-member chamber chorus performs a program of choral music spanning 400 years, including works by Willaert, Weelkes, Poulence, Vaughan Williams, and P.D.Q. Bach (aka musical trickster Peter Schikele). *7 p.m., St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division at Catherine. $10 (students & seniors, $5; children under 12, free) at the door. Group discounts available. For information, call Marisa Bond at 764–3304.*

★**"Jewish Feminist Multicultural Poetry and Art": U-M Women's Studies Program/Institute for Research on Women and Gender.** Poetry and prose readings in English, Hebrew, Yiddish, Spanish, and Ladino. Also, Jewish women display and discuss their art, perform music, and recount personal narratives. Speakers include U-M anthropologist **Ruth Behar** and U-M English professor **Anita Norich.** Jewish desserts from around the world served. This event is inspired by recent issues of the Jewish feminist journal *BRIDGES* (edited by Ann Arborite Ruth Kraut, among others), which focused on the experiences of Sephardi and Mizrahi women. *7:30 p.m., Hillel, 1429 Hill St. Free. 769–5680.*

★**"Cellomania 2": Kerrytown Concert House.** Students of local cello instructor Timothy John Smith perform original works for cello orchestra (in the manner popularized by The Twelve Cellists of the Berlin Philharmonic). *7:30 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 769–2999.*

★**Heather Hinton: American Guild of Organists.** Performance by this young organist, winner of the AGO's 1996 Young Artists Competition. Currently a grad student at the Eastman School of Music, she has performed as a soloist with orchestras around the U.S. "Her playing suggests a tennis pro's game of grace and power," according to the *Charleston Gazette*. Program to be announced. *8 p.m., Hill Auditorium. Free. 930–9940.*

★**Faculty and Guest Recital: U-M School of Music.** Harpist Lynne Aspnes, clarinetist Deborah Chodacki, cellist Anthony Elliott, violinists Andrew Jennings and Paul Kantor, violist Yizhak Schotten, and flutist Christopher Kanter perform music of Ravel, Roussel, Piazolla, Flagello, Scarlatti, and Parish-Alvars. *8 p.m., U-M School of Music Bldg. Britton Recital Hall, 1100 Baits Dr. (off Broadway), North Campus. Free. 764–0594.*

**"The Cashier": Ypsilanti Area Players.** See 17 Friday. 8 p.m.

**FILMS**

**MTF. "The World's Best Commercials"** (1997). *April 26–30.* Award-winning TV spots from around the globe. Mich., 5:30 p.m. **"Four Days in September"** (Bruno Barreto, 1997). *April 26–29.* Historical drama based on the story of a cadre of Marxist guerillas in Brazil in 1969. Portuguese, subtitles. Mich., 7:15 p.m.

## 27 MONDAY

★**"Optimizing Your Refinance": The Buyer's Agent.** Real estate professionals discuss the options, costs, and strategies of refinancing. *7–8:30 p.m., The Buyer's Agent, 1900 W. Stadium. Free, but preregistration required. 662–6240.*

★**"Balancing Psyche and Spirit": Ann Arbor Independent Spiritual Network Quarterly Meeting.** Panel discussion with local psychotherapists Michael Andes, Alison Hine, and Nancy Warren. All invited. *7 p.m., Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 668–6672.*

★**Reverend Richard O. Singleton: Shaman Drum Bookshop.** The former rector of St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor, Singleton is currently on leave from his current post as dean of the Cathedral of St. John in Providence, Rhode Island. He reads from his new book, *The Last Words of the Resurrected Christ.* Following the reading, Singleton signs copies of his books. Refreshments. *8 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**"Unaccountable Tantrums": U-M Dance Department BFA Thesis Concert.** An evening of varied new works choreographed and performed by U-M dance majors. *8 p.m., U-M Dance Bldg. Betty Pease Studio Theater, 1310 North University Ct. Free, but space limited. 763–5460.*

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## 28 TUESDAY

**Semi-Annual Attic Treasures Sale: House by the Side of the Road.** *April 28 & 29.* A wide selection of used linens, craft supplies, sports equipment, toys, games, puzzles, books, Christmas items, miscella-


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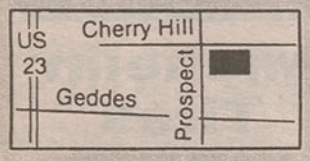


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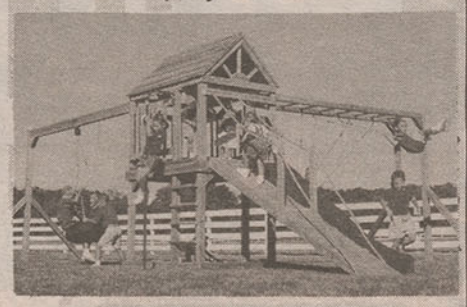

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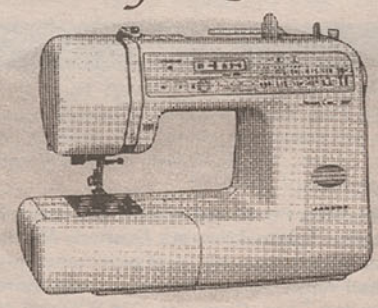

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**"Searching the World Wide Web": Ann Arbor District Library.** A hands-on introduction to Web search and metasearch engines and subject directories. Open to all AADL cardholders. *Note:* A free version of this class (preregistration required), with less hands-on opportunity, is offered at the Northeast Branch at 7 p.m. on April 3. *9:30 a.m., Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**"Prisoners of Shangri-La: Tibetan Buddhism and the West": Shaman Drum Bookshop Publication Party.** U-M Buddhist and Tibetan studies professor Donald Lopez is on hand to sign copies of his recently published book. Refreshments. *4–6 p.m., Shaman Drum Bookshop, 315 S. State. Free. 662–7407.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network.** All invited to join this group working to make schools safe for all students regardless of sexual orientation. *5:30–7 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 1915 Washtenaw at Berkshire. Free. 482–2450, 940–0357.*

★**"Nutrition for People on the Go": Whole Foods Market.** Jill Naniene discusses quick, healthy meals and offers suggestions on cookbooks and other resources. *7–8:30 p.m., Tappan Middle School, room 106, 2251 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 971–3366.*

★**"Natural Healthcare Through the Childbearing Years": People's Food Co-op Herbal Wisdom Series.** First in a series of 3 biweekly talks by local midwife, herbalist, and author Aviva Jill Romm. Tonight's topic: **"Natural Health During Pregnancy."** *7–8:30 p.m., People's Food Co-op, 216 N. Fourth Ave. Free. Preregistration requested. 994–3409.*

★**"Breeding/Nesting Bird Survey Volunteer Information Session": Ann Arbor Parks Department Natural Area Preservation Division.** Information session for anyone interested in helping the city survey its population of resident birds. *7:30–9 p.m., Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Rd. Free. 996–3266.*

**Miriam Winter: Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Washtenaw County. Shaman Drum Bookshop.** Miriam Winter, aka Maria Orlowski, reads from *Trains: A Memoir of a Hidden Childhood During and After World War II*, her recently published memoir about her effort to recover her life story as one of the "hidden children" in Poland during and after WWII. Desserts & beverages served. *7:30 p.m., Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington. Open to all women who pledge $18 or more to the Women's Division campaign. 677–0100.*

★**Seamus Deane: Borders Books and Music.** This award-winning Irish writer reads from *Reading in the Dark*, his novel about growing up in northern Ireland in the 1950s. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

**Pierre Bensusan: The Ark.** Bensusan is a French North African guitar virtuoso with a flashy, intense finger-picking style. His music is a sonorous instrumental blend of several idioms—jazz, bluegrass, Celtic, French folk, South American—woven around his wordless vocal stylings. The winner of the Grand Prix du Disque at age 17, he has released a series of LPs that have provoked comparisons to John Renbourn, Doc Watson, and Michael Hedges. *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $12.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

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## 29 WEDNESDAY

**Spring Rummage Sale: St. Francis of Assisi Altar Society.** *April 29–May 1.* An enormous semiannual event that draws bargain hunters from far and wide, this sale offers hundreds of donated items, including clothing, furniture, computers, books, toys, and much more. *9:30 a.m.–6 p.m., St. Francis Parish Activities Center (adjacent to church), 2150 Frieze Ave. Free admission. 769–2550.*

**"Dynasty": Society for Musical Arts.** The humorously named **Ensemble Ouabache** (rhymes with Wabash)—the trio of harpsichordist Thomas Gerber, Baroque flutist Barbara Kallaur, and Baroque violinist Christopher Verrette—specializes in music of the 17th and 18th centuries, with programs that include explanation of the instruments and the music. Today's concert features works by members of two formidable musical families—Couperin and Bach. Optional lunch with the artists after the performance. *10:30 a.m., Ann Arbor Women's City Club, 1830 Washtenaw. Concert: $9 (second ticket, $7; students, $5) in advance and at the door. Lunch: $9.50 by reservation. For ticket information, call Rosalie Edwards at 665–7408 or Penny Fischer at 930–0353. For lunch reservations, call 662–3279.*

★**"Fly the Friendly Web: Travel Planning with the Internet": Ann Arbor District Library.** Introduction to a variety of websites of interest to those planning business trips or vacations, or looking for the lowest fare. *7 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library training center (3rd floor), 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. Free. 327–4550.*

★**Monthly Meeting: Ann Arbor Bonsai Society.** All invited to learn about this organization dedicated to the ancient Japanese art of cultivating miniature potted plants. Tonight: members bring their own trees to the workshop. Visitors welcome. *7 p.m., U-M Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. Free. (313) 272–9242.*

**Pauly Shore: Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** This former MTV comic has gone on to a successful movie career in films showcasing his outrageously indifferent slacker narcissism. Preceded by two opening acts. Alcohol is served. *7:30 & 9:45 p.m., old VFW Hall (below Seva restaurant), 314 E. Liberty. $19.50 in advance and at the door. 996–9080.*

★**Tom Lynch and Catherine Seto: Great Lakes Literary Alliance "Lake Effect Reading Series."** The Great Lakes Literary Alliance is an ambitious new local literary organization (see 1 Wednesday listing), and this is the first in its series of readings pairing established and emerging writers. Tom Lynch earned a 1997 National Book Award nomination for *The Undertaking: Life Studies in the Dismal Trade*, his collection of essays based primarily on his experiences as director of Lynch & Sons Funeral Home in Milford. But he's best known as a poet, and tonight he reads poems from his forthcoming collection, *Still Life in Milford*. His poems range from lyrical poems on personal and mythological themes that are usually very funny or harrowingly bitter (or both) to wryly affecting meditations on contemporary society and culture. Seto *(see review, p. 101)* is a fiction writer who won several Hopwood Awards as a U-M undergrad and grad student and who currently teaches in the U-M English department. Her quiet, lyrical stories are mostly about 1st- and 2nd-generation Asian-Americans struggling with the conflicts between their heritage and the present. *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Free. 913–9786.*

**The Hagen Quartet: University Musical Society.** This award-winning Austrian string quartet, composed of siblings Lukas, Veronika, and Clemens Hagen and violinist Rainer Schmidt, enjoys a reputation as one of the world's finest young ensembles, delighting audiences around the world with their warm, engaging performances. "If chamber music can be called the art of conversation," writes a *Toronto Star* critic, "they are certainly persuasive talkers." Program: Schoenberg's String Quartet No. 3 and Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 3 in F. Quartet members talk with the audience after the performance. *8 p.m., Rackham Auditorium. Tickets $14–$28 in advance at Burton Tower and (if available) at the door. To charge by phone, call 764–2538 or (800) 221–1229.*

**Eric Bogle: The Ark.** *See review, p. 95.* This Scottish-born Australian has been called a "social commentator, a comic raconteur, and an earthy sentimentalist all rolled into one." Regarded by many as one of the top contemporary songwriters, Bogle is best known for the widely covered "And the Band Played Waltzing Matilda," but he has written a number of other pungent protest songs, vivid ballads, and comic songs, including "No Man's Land," "Willie McBride," "Now I'm Easy," and "I Hate Wogs." *8 p.m., The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets $12.50 in advance at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and (beginning two weeks before the show) at Schoolkids' & Herb David Guitar Studio; and at the door. To charge by phone, call 763–TKTS.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

**"Totally Unrehearsed Theater": Mainstreet Comedy Showcase.** See 1 Wednesday. 8:30 p.m.

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## 30 THURSDAY

**"Web Walk": Ann Arbor District Library.** AADL staff introduce elementary school-age kids to the basics of the Internet, World Wide Web, and Netscape browser. Includes basic mouse instruction and computer tips. *Note:* A free version of this class (preregistration required), with less hands-on opportunity, is offered at the Loving Branch at 9 a.m. on April 4. *4 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. at William. $5. Preregistration required. 327–4550.*

★**"The Art of Sushi": Whole Foods Market.** Eden Foods representative Mary Scott leads a hands-on sushi-making class. Participants get recipes and a sushi mat to take home. *7–8:30 p.m., Tappan Middle School, room 106, 2251 E. Stadium. Free, but reservations requested. 971–3366.*

**"'Zine Happening": Generator/Crimewave USA.** An evening of readings and music to benefit *Generator* and *Crimewave USA*, two Ypsilanti-based literary and cultural 'zines (homemade magazines). The program begins with spoken word performances by EMU English professor Paul McGlynn, EMU creative writing grad students Linette Lao (also *Crimewave USA* copublisher) and Sara Grosky, Ypsilanti poets Zachary Chartkoff and Tony Elam, and other surprise guests to be announced. Followed at 9 p.m. by recorded dance music by High, Live, and Dirty Productions DJs Brad Hales and Steve Kenney, alternating with live music by Occasional Detroit, an Ypsilanti band that plays an eclectic original mix of rock, jazz, and hip-hop. Also, the ticket price includes admission tonight to the Tap Room (across Michigan Ave.), where Funktelligence is playing its groove-oriented, horn- and keyboard-driven brand of pop-funk. *7 p.m., Dixie Cafe, 206 W. Michigan Ave. $5 donation. 482–9774.*

★**Jon Lee Anderson: Borders Books and Music.** This biographer reads from *Che Guevara: A Life*, his extensive history of the icon of the Cuban revolution. *7:30 p.m., Borders, 612 E. Liberty. Free. 668–7652.*

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**Scott Fields Ensemble: Kerrytown Concert House "Jazz at the Edge" Series.** Fields is a noted guitar innovator who got his start in the Chicago free-jazz scene of the 1960s and early 1970s. After a long hiatus, he returned to composing and performing in the 1990s. He performs in a unique but surprisingly accessible style that shows classical and even flamenco influences. His current trio includes percussionist **Ray Kaczynski,** a German musician who is an authority on South Indian classical percussion and dance; and local double bassist **Jason Lee Roebke,** a multi-instrumentalist and composer who has performed with Randy Sabien and Roscoe Mitchell. *8 p.m., Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. $10, $15, & $25. Reservations suggested. 769–2999.*

**"Bent": P.T.D. Productions.** *April 30–May 3 & May 7–9.* Steven Myers directs Martin Sherman's 1979 drama about a gay man imprisoned in one of Hitler's concentration camps during the early days of the Third Reich in Germany. The man tries everything to avoid the dreaded "pink triangle" badge and hide his homosexuality, but then he meets a fellow prisoner who refuses to deny his sexual orientation and they fall in love. Cast to be announced. *8 p.m., Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron. Tickets $12 (students & seniors, $9) in advance or at the door. For reservations, call 483–7345.*

★**"Remove the Cork": U-M School of Art and Design.** *April 30 & May 1.* Local singer-songwriter, composer, and performance artist **Frank Pahl** presents his master of fine arts thesis project. Pahl is one of the most provocatively innovative artists in town, and tonight's performance offers a chance to check out his latest work—for free! *8 p.m., Media Union Gallery, 2281 Bonisteel Blvd. at Murfin, North Campus. Free. 763–4417.*

**"Book of Days": Purple Rose Theater.** See 2 Thursday. 8 p.m.

FILMS

**MTF. "Oscar and Lucinda"** (Gillian Armstrong, 1997). Film adaptation of Peter Carey's epic novel about the alliance between an Anglican priest and a teenage heiress in 1850s Australia. Ralph Fiennes, Cate Blanchett. Mich., 7 p.m. **"The World's Best Commercials"** (1997). See 26 Sunday. Mich., 9:45 p.m.


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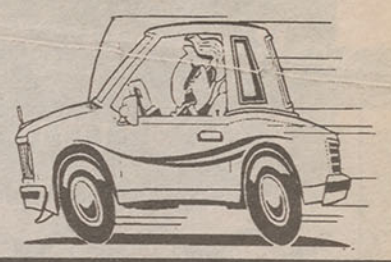

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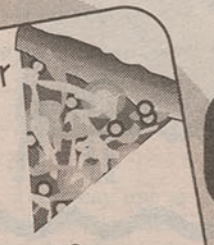

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## Arbor Brewing Company

**114 E. Washington** **213–1393**

This downtown brewpub features live music on Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays. No cover, no dancing. **Every Sun.: Ann Arbor Bluestage.** All blues musicians invited to join a jam session that usually features performances by several local blues luminaries and forays into country, funk, soul, and rootsy rock 'n' roll. Hosted by the **Terraplanes,** a local blues-rock band led by singer-guitarist Jerry Mack, with guitarist Loren Hsieh, keyboardist Rik Richardson, bassist John Allesee, harmonica player Eric Pinaud, and drummer Will Simmons. 8 p.m.–midnight. **Every Tues.: KNESET.** Straight-ahead jazz by this local ensemble that has added a female vocalist. 9 p.m.–midnight. **Every Wed.: Ann Arbor Irish Ensemble.** Celtic and North American fiddle music by this local 8-piece acoustic band led by the rhythm section of fiddler and drummer Pam Meisel, bassist Todd Perkins, and well-known local graphic artist Allan Reid on fiddle and banjo. 8–11 p.m. **Every Thurs.** (except April 9)**: Al Hill and the Love Butlers.** Soulful swing, New Orleans–style funk, and boogie-woogie blues by this local band led by Hill's wailing vocals and pumping piano and featuring the Disorderly Horns, former Bop (Harvey) saxman Eric Korte, and former Gangster Fun trombonist John Ferry. 9 p.m.–midnight. April 9 is ABC's monthly **"Beer Tasting"** (see Events).

## The Ark

**316 S. Main** **761–1451**

Michigan's leading showcase for American and international performers of all forms of traditional music. Cover (usually $9–$11), no dance floor, but for some shows space is cleared for dancing. Discounts (usually $1) on cover for members ($15/year; families, $25/year). All shows begin at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Ticket sales: If a sellout is anticipated, advance tickets are sold and (occasionally) two shows are scheduled. Otherwise, tickets are available at the door only. **Apr. 1: Open Stage.** All acoustic performers invited. The first 12 acts to sign up beginning at 7:30 p.m. get to perform. The most talented and popular Open Stage performers are offered their own evenings at the Ark. $3 (members & students, $2). **Apr. 2: James Keelaghan & Vance Gilbert.** Singer-singwriter double bill. See Events. **Apr. 3: Suzanne Westenhoefer.** Lesbian comic. See Events. 7:30 p.m. **Apr. 4: Chris Smither.** Veteran singer-songwriter. See Events. 7:30 p.m. **Apr. 5: Leo Kottke.** Acoustic guitar legend. See Events. 7 & 9:30 p.m. **Apr. 7: Jennifer Kimball.** A former member of The Story, this singer-songwriter is known for her soaring vocals and superb guitar playing. **Apr. 9: John Hammond.** Veteran country blues revivalist. With **Little Charlie & the Nightcats.** See Events. **Apr. 10: Special Consensus.** Ace bluegrass band from Illinois. With the **RFD Boys.** See Events. **Apr. 11: "Mr. B's Blues & Boogie Piano Orgy."** An evening of blues & boogie-woogie piano with Ann Arbor's **Mark "Mr. B" Braun,** Detroit pianist **Bob Seeley,** and two French pianists, **Jean-Pierre Bertrand** and **Philippe LeJeune.** See Events. **Apr. 14: Jimmie Dale Gilmore.** Veteran Texas singer-songwriter. See Events. 7:30 p.m. **Apr. 15: Open Stage.** See above. **Apr. 16: Dr. John.** Veteran New Orleans pianist. See Events. 7:30 & 9:30 p.m. **Apr. 17: Dee Carstensen.** Pop-folk singer-songwriter from New York City. See Events. 7:30 p.m. **Apr. 18: Dan Bern.** Highly regarded singer-songwriter from Iowa. See Events. **Apr. 19: Song Sisters.** Children's concert. 1 & 3 p.m. See Events. **Apr. 19: Margie Adam.** Feminist pop pioneer. See Events. **Apr. 21: John Renbourn & the Battlefield Band.** Double bill of English folk veterans. See Events. **Apr. 23: Ray Wylie Hubbard.** Veteran Texas singer-songwriter. See Events. **Apr. 24: RFD Boys.** Authentic bluegrass by these longtime local favorites. They have released three LPs, appeared in numerous festivals, and even made the cover of *Bluegrass Unlimited* magazine. Their shows blend top-notch musicianship with funny between-songs dialogue. Schoolkids' released *Live and Unrehearsed,* a CD collection of one of the band's 1994 Ark performances. **Apr. 25: Cheryl Wheeler.** Versatile singer-songwriter. See Events. 7:30 & 9:30 p.m. **Apr. 28: Pierre Bensusan.** French North African guitar virtuoso. See Events. **Apr. 29: Eric Bogle.** Scottish-born Australian singer-songwriter. See Events.

## Ashley's

**338 S. State** **996–9191**

This downtown restaurant features live music in its underground pub on most Tuesdays, 10:30 p.m.–1 a.m. No cover, no dancing. **Apr. 7: Bull's Eye Virus.** Pop-rock originals by this local quartet. **Apr. 14: Sugar Pill.** Local pop duo. **Apr. 21: South Normal.** Anthemic rock 'n' roll originals by this popular Chelsea quintet known for its tight arrangements, imaginatively varied rhythms, garage-band versatility, and slacker attitude. **Apr. 28: Plum Loco.** Danceable, jam-oriented mix of blues, funk, and jazz by this Ypsilanti band.

## Bird of Paradise

**207 S. Ashley** **662–8310**

Intimate jazz club co-owned by prominent jazz bassist Ron Brooks. Live music seven nights a week, 9 p.m.–1 a.m. (Fri.–Mon.) & 8 p.m.–midnight (Tues.–Thurs.). Cover (unless otherwise noted), dancing. **Every Fri.: E-Z Street Swingtet.** Dixieland and swing by this local ensemble led by saxophonist and trumpeter Paul Klinger. 5–8 p.m. **Every Sun.: Paul Finkbeiner & Friends.** Popular, high-energy jam session led by trumpeter Finkbeiner. No cover. **Every Mon.: Bird of Paradise Orchestra.** 14-piece ensemble organized by bassists Ron Brooks and Paul Keller to showcase original compositions and arrangements by musicians from southeastern Michigan. The varying lineup includes local and area jazz musicians. The group has a Schoolkids' CD, *Project X.* **Apr. 1 & 2: Ron Brooks Trio.** One of the state's finest jazz bassists, club co-owner Brooks is joined by pianist Rick Roe and drummer Pete Siers. **Apr. 3 & 4: Paul Vornhagen Quartet.** Upbeat Latin jazz and swing-bop by this ensemble led by local saxophonist and flutist Vornhagen. With bassist Kurt Krahnke, drummer Randy Marsh, and pianist Sven Anderson. Vornhagen has a new Schoolkids' CD, *Parisian Protocol.* **Apr. 7: Poignant Plecostomus.** Local quintet featuring guitar, violin, and keyboards that plays earthy, groove-oriented contemporary jazz-rock. With guests to be announced. **Apr. 8 & 9: Kevin Mahogany.** Acclaimed young jazz singer from Kansas City. See Events. 8 & 10:30 p.m. **Apr. 10 & 11: Lori LeFevre & the Jimmy Lee Trio.** Straight-ahead standards and ballads by this Toledo vocalist who is backed by a trio led by pianist Lee. **Apr. 14: Transmission.** Local band that plays avant-garde free jazz. With guests to be announced. **Apr. 15 & 16: Johnny Griffin.** Celebrated bebop tenor saxophonist. See Events. 8 & 10 p.m. **Apr. 17 & 18: Freddy Cole.** Veteran singer-pianist (the brother of Nat "King" Cole). See Events. 9 & 11 p.m. **Apr. 21: Poignant Plecostomus.** See above. **Apr. 22 & 23: Ron Brooks Trio.** See above. **Apr. 24 & 25:** To be announced. **Apr. 28: Transmission.** See above. **Apr. 29 & 30: Ron Brooks Trio.** See above.

## The Blind Pig

**208 S. First St.** **996–8555**

This local music club features live music four nights a week, with a varied assortment of local and out-of-town rock 'n' roll, blues, reggae, and dance bands, 10:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m., and DJs on Tuesdays (10 p.m.–1:30 a.m.) & Sundays (8 p.m.–12:30 a.m.). If there's an opening act, the headliner usually goes on stage between 11:30 p.m. and midnight. Closed Mondays. Cover, dancing. **Every Fri.: Drivin' Sideways.** Veteran local band that's fueled by vocalist Pontiac Pete Ferguson's alternately soulful and ornery vocals. Their country-based repertoire still features lots of classic honky-tonk, but they also cover everything from early Chuck Berry to Sam & Dave to the Meters. The guiding presence of the band's new incarnation seems to be Elvis—including both large chunks of his repertoire and his attitude that any music he did suited him just because he did it. The band also includes guitarist Chris Casello, keyboardist Al Hill, bassist Chris Goerke, and drummer Mark Newbound. Guitarist Bob Schetter occasionally sits in on second guitar. 6–9 p.m. **Every Sun.: Swing-a-Billy.** DJ Del Villareal spins swing, jump blues, and rockabilly records. Also, free swing & jitterbug dance lessons (8–9 p.m.). **Every Tues.: Showcase Night.** Four different up-and-coming bands each week. No cover. **Every Wed.: "Solar."** Resident DJ Disco D and various guest DJs play house and techno records. **Apr. 2: Steve Poltz.** Solo acoustic singer-songwriter. See Events. **Apr. 3: Corey Harris.** Acoustic blues singer-guitarist. See Events. **Apr. 4: Zen Tricksters.** Grateful Dead tribute band. See Events. **Apr. 9: Huffamoose.** Alternative jazz-rock sextet from Philadelphia. See Events. **Apr. 10: Transmission.** See Bird of Paradise. Opening acts are **Poignant Plecostomus** (see Bird of Paradise) and **DJ Bubblicious,** a popular local acid jazz DJ. **Apr. 11: Jazodity.** 7-piece groove-oriented acid jazz band that includes former members of the Bucket. Opening acts are **Bambu,** a local funk-rock band with a female lead vocalist, and **DJ Watts. Apr. 13: Merl Saunders & the Rainforest Band.** Funky jam-oriented blues-rock ensemble from San Francisco. See Events. **Apr. 16: TR3.** Groove-oriented improvisational rock. See Events. **Apr. 17: Morsel.** Popular local band whose self-styled "postmodern cyber-folk," a blend of industrial dissonance and neo-psychedelic bliss, employs a wide range of instrumental and vocal textures. Tonight the band celebrates the release of its new CD, *I'm a Wreck.* Opening act is **Bell,** a rock 'n' roll quintet from Minneapolis fronted by a female vocalist. **Apr. 18: Mary Lou Lord.** Ani DiFranco–style punk-folk singer-songwriter from New York City. **Apr. 23: The Why Store.** Semi-acoustic grunge-flavored roots-rock quintet from Muncie, Indiana. **Apr. 24: Grin.** This local band plays quirky, danceable pop-rock. Tonight the band celebrates the release of its new CD. Opening acts are **Circus McGurkis,** a peppy pop-rock dance trio from Kalamazoo, and **Park,** a Zappa-esque funk-rock band from Detroit. **Apr. 25: Dub Syndicate.** Dub Syndicate is Jamaican percussionist Style Scott, one of the acknowledged masters of dub, the bottom-heavy, quasi-instrumental, DJ-oriented mutation of reggae. **Apr. 30: Lee Rocker.** Rock 'n' roll band led by former Stray Cats bassist Rocker.

## Blue Nile

**221 E. Washington** **998–4746**

Restaurant with live jazz Fridays (6:30–10 p.m.) & Saturdays (6–10 p.m.). No cover, no dancing. **Every Fri. & Sat.: Doug Horn Jazz Trio.** Jazz ensemble led by alto saxophonist Horn, who also plays flute.

## Cafe Felix

**204 S. Main** **662–8650**

This downtown cafe features live music Fridays &

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## David Mosher

### Outlasting the cappuccino

I caught Dave Mosher at Cafe Felix quite by accident last month, after literally years of hearing him proclaimed as some sort of local treasure. I had an evening to kill, so I bought tea and a biscotti and settled in for some serious listening.

Within minutes I realized that I really need to take guitar lessons. Mosher's a multi-instrumentalist (guitar, mandolin, fiddle, and bass), but the night's tool of choice was a six-string Heiden that he attacked with the type of nonchalant excellence that both infuriates and inspires three- (going on four-) chord "purists" like myself. When the first wave of jealousy passed, I could focus on Mosher's songwriting, which reveals a classy eclecticism grounded in folk, bluegrass, country, and swing.

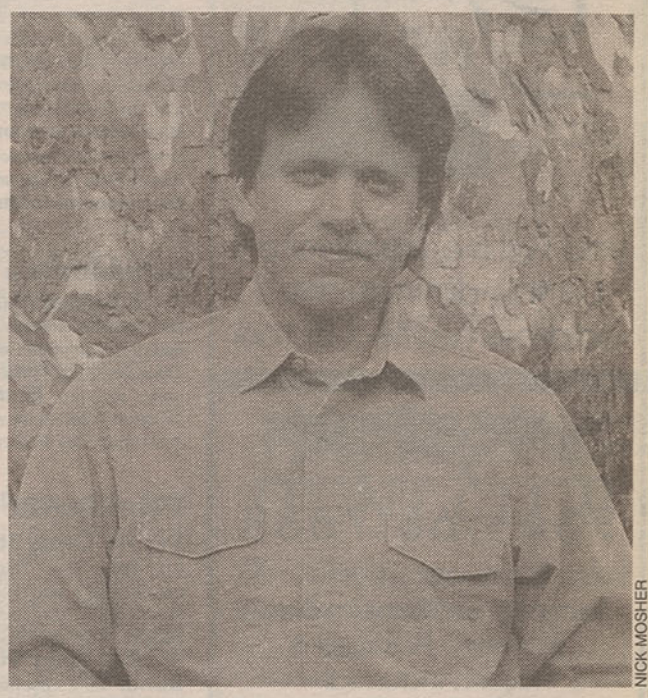
Musicians who play cafes have to deal with all sorts of indignities: chatty, musician-ignoring audiences; setting up in front of a case of éclairs; and cappuccino machines that roar to life right at the most important line of your song. But Mosher, a veteran of years of national and international touring with Prairie Home Companion regular Kate MacKenzie and any number of top-flight bluegrass bands, seemed to take it all in stride. He reeled in listener after listener: folks who paid close attention to him over the din, bought his newly released CD, *Sycamore Tree,* and stayed to the end of his two sets.

There's certainly plenty to listen to. Mosher's songs include musical stories told in few words, sweet, longing waltzes, and the haunting, minor-key mystery of good, authentic bluegrass. He sings about caution in love, porch-swing courtships, mountains stripped by industry, and living next to the train tracks—all in a clear, tensile tenor that sounds as good solo in a noisy cafe as it does layered with harmonies on his CD.

In an age when musicians strive desperately to best each other with bizarre instrumentation and subject matter, spoken-word blather and stupid black clothes, a few stay true to earlier forms, perfecting and adding to them. Mosher's of this school, and the refreshingly unpretentious edge he's cutting just may surprise us all.

David Mosher can be heard April 11 at the new Sweetwaters Cafe in Saline, and on April 18 at the Ann Arbor Sweetwaters. He's also at the Ark twice this month in two different guises: as a fill-in bassist with the RFD Boys on April 10 and with the Song Sisters on April 19.

*—Kate Conner-Ruben*



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## Cafe Zola

**112 W. Washington** **769–2020**

This downtown cafe features live music every Friday 9–11 p.m. No cover, no dancing. **Apr. 3: Lisa Hunter.** Funky, melodic folk-based pop-rock sung in a sharp, clear voice by this local singer-songwriter who has released a CD, *Solid Ground.* **Apr. 10: Blackman & Arnold.** A riveting mix of folk, jazz, and world music by the Detroit acoustic guitar duo of Sean Blackman and John Arnold. **Apr. 17:** To be announced. **Apr. 24:** No music.

## City Limits

**2900 Jackson Rd.** **665–4444**

Lounge at the Clarion Hotel. Dance bands on weekends, jam sessions on Wednesdays, and a DJ on Thursdays. 8:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m. Cover (Fri. & Sat. only), dancing. **Every Thurs.: Latin Night.** DJ spins Latin dance records. **Every Fri. & Sat.:** A DJ spins Top 40 dance records.

## Cross Street Station

**511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti** **485–5050**

Live dance bands Thursdays through Saturdays, DJs on Sundays and Tuesdays, and open mike on Wednesdays. Dancing, cover. **Every Sun.: Ska Night.** With DJ Chuck. Ages 18 & older admitted. No cover. **Every Mon.: Cross Street Jazz Band.** Jazz ensemble of varying membership. **Every Tues.: Retro Dance Party.** DJ Speed E. Smith plays 70s & 80s dance music. **Every Wed.: Open Mike Night.** All musicians invited. No cover. **Apr. 2: Blue-Eyed Soul.** Local R&B band. Opening act is **Son of Adam. Apr. 3: The Imperial Swing Orchestra.** Lounge music by this local big band. **Apr. 5: The Gruesomes.** Postgrunge rock 'n' roll band from Ypsilanti. **Apr. 9: Kung Fu Diesel.** Rockabilly band from Parma, Michigan. **Apr. 10: Funktelligence.** See Tap Room. Opening act is **Uncle Booby. Apr. 11: Telegraph.** Ska band. **Apr. 16: Q.** East Lansing rock 'n' roll band. **Apr. 17: Plum Loco.** See Ashley's. **Apr. 18: Gangster Fun.** 10-piece ska band from Detroit whose eclectic repertoire includes the theme from the *Odd Couple* and "I Wanna Be Like You," from Disney's *Jungle Book.* **Apr. 23: Deep Space Six.** See Heidelberg. **Apr. 24:** To be announced. **Apr. 25: Todd Harold Band. Apr. 30: Maschina.** Unconventional, almost Zappa-esque local jazz-funk quartet that features a lead trumpet that is often treated to sound like a variety of other instruments.

## Del Rio

**122 W. Washington** **761–2530**

No cover, no dancing. Local jazz groups every Sunday, 5–9 p.m. **Apr. 5: Rick Burgess Quartet.** Jazz ensemble led by pianist Burgess. **Apr. 12: Steve Wood Quartet.** Jazz ensemble led by Detroit tenor saxophonist Wood. **Apr. 19: Rick Burgess Quartet.** See above. **Apr. 26: Michael Zaporski Quartet.** Jazz ensemble led by Detroit pianist Zaporski.

## Dixie Cafe

**206 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti** **482–9774**

This Ypsilanti cafe (located in the former Green Room space) features live music on Fridays & Saturdays and occasional other nights. All ages admitted; no alcohol served. Shows begin at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Cover, no dancing. **Apr. 30: " 'Zine Scene Happening."** Benefit for *Generator* and *Crimewave USA,* with spoken word performances, DJs, and live music. See Events. 7 p.m. Remainder of April schedule to be announced.

## The Earle

**121 W. Washington** **994–0211**

Restaurant with live jazz Monday through Saturday. No cover, no dancing. **Every Mon. & Thurs.** (8–10 p.m.)**: Rick Burgess.** Solo piano. **Every Tues.** (8–10 p.m.)**: Rick Roe.** Solo piano. **Every Wed.** (8–10 p.m.)**: David Froseth.** Solo piano. **Every Fri. & Sat.: Rick Burgess Trio.** Jazz ensemble featuring pianist Burgess, drummer Robert Warren, and a bassist to be announced.

## Elbow Room

**6 S. Washington, Ypsilanti** **483–6374**

This Ypsilanti tavern feature DJs on Mondays & Wednesdays and dance bands on weekends, 9 p.m.–1 a.m. Also, karaoke on Thursdays, 9 p.m.–1 a.m., and Sundays, 4–8 p.m. Dancing, no cover. **Every Mon. & Wed.:** Big M and DJ Small spin modern rock dance records. **Apr. 3, 4, 10, & 11: Harpo.** Rock 'n' roll oldies. **Apr. 17 & 18: Step Aside.** Country band from Milan. **Apr. 24 & 25: Harpo.** See above.

## Espresso Royale Caffe

**214 S. Main** **668–1838**

The downtown location of this popular coffeehouse features live music on Wednesdays (8–10 p.m.), Fridays (9–11 p.m.), & Saturdays (8–10 p.m.). **Apr. 1: Randy Napoleon Trio.** See Leonardo's. **Apr. 3: Five Guys Named Moe.** An eclectic mix of styles and genres by this local acoustic swing ensemble. Members are vocalist and multi-instrumentalist Myron Grant, bassist Glenn Bering, fiddler Mary Seelhorst, drummer Eric Nyhuis, and guitarist Jake Reichbart. **Apr. 4: Aaron Flagg.** Jazz standards by this local trumpeter. **Apr. 8: Carl Michel.** Jazz originals by this local guitarist. **Apr. 10: Blue Moon Quartet.** Straight-ahead jazz by this local ensemble led by violinist James Sneyd. **Apr. 11: Lisa Hunter.** See Cafe Zola. **Apr. 15: Sachal Vasandani.** Young local jazz singer who performs in the pop-swing style of Frank Sinatra and Mel Torme. **Apr. 17: Coupe de Grass.** Local bluegrass band led by banjoist Lee Kaufmann and featuring twin fiddles and intricate vocal harmonies. **Apr. 18: Charlie Mosbrook.** Popular singer-songwriter from Cleveland. **Apr. 22: Plas.** Local sax-and-drums avant-garde jazz trio featuring members of Transmission and Larval. **Apr. 24: Salero de Spana.** Traditional flamenco music and dance with dancer Maria Durante, guitarists Jean Agopian and John Carlson, and Glenn Bering on the doumbek. **Apr. 25: Jericho Guitar Trio.** Jazz and pop by the trio of local guitarists Dan Marcus, Josh Urist, and Alex Anest.

## Gandy Dancer

**401 Depot** **769–0592**

Restaurant with live piano every night. No cover, no dancing. **Every Sun.** (10 a.m.–2 p.m.)**: Charles Gabriel Jazz Trio.** Vintage New Orleans jazz by a Detroit trio led by singer-bassist (and New Orleans native) Gabriel. **Every Sun.** (3:30–9 p.m.)**: Alice Rhodes.** Solo pianist. **Every Mon.– Wed.** (6–11 p.m.)**: Tim Howley.** This local pianist plays a variety of popular music and takes requests. **Every Thurs.** (6–9 p.m.)**, Fri.** (5:30–9 p.m.)**, & Sat.** (6 p.m.–midnight)**: Carl Alexius.** Veteran local jazz pianist who takes requests for oldies.

## The Gypsy Cafe

**214 N. Fourth Ave.** **994–3940**

This coffeehouse features an eclectic mix of live semi-acoustic music, with occasional poetry readings, performance art, and even some comedy in its back room on weekends and some other nights, 9:30 p.m.–midnight. Also, tarot readings on weekends (8:30 p.m.–2 a.m.). Cover (weekends only), no dancing. **Every Tues.: Jazz Jam Session.** All jazz musicians invited. Hosted by the **Community High School 2 O'clock Ensemble.** 8–10 p.m. **Apr. 3: Original Brothers & Sisters of Love.** Eclectic blend of the traditional bluegrass harmonies of the Louvin Brothers and the early rock 'n' roll style of the Everly Brothers with contemporary worldbeat. Members are Timothy and James Monger, a singer-songwriter duo from Brighton, and fiddler Mary Madill. **Apr. 4: The Still.** U-M student sextet that plays groove-oriented acoustic rock 'n' roll. **Apr. 8: "Wide Open Mike."** All musicians, poets, comics, and other performers invited. Sign-up begins at 7:30 p.m. 9–11 p.m. **Apr. 10: The Gepetto Files.** Idiosyncratic, punk-spirited marionette show by puppeteers Chris Sheets, Ted Talvitie, and Chris Talvitie, a local troupe that specializes in off-the-wall, postpunk explorations of American cultural archetypes that are simultaneously weird, hilarious, provocative, sophomoric, and haunting. **Apr. 11: Chris Buhalis.** This popular local singer-songwriter sings engaging folk-country originals in a rich, warm voice. He recently released his debut CD, *Kenai Dreams.* **Apr. 15: "Wide Open Screen."** All filmmakers invited to show their 16 mm film and VHS and S-VHS video projects. 7 p.m.–midnight. **Apr. 17: Audrey Becker.** Local singer-songwriter who writes intelligent, well-crafted, gutsy folk-oriented pop songs. She recently released her debut CD, *Where I Draw the Line.* **Apr. 18: Five Ton Creek.** Local blues-rock ensemble led by singer-songwriter Charlie Dentel. **Apr. 22: "Wide Open Mike."** See above. 9–11 p.m. **Apr. 24: Transmission.** See Bird of Paradise. **Apr. 25: Jo Serrapere.** This highly regarded local singer-songwriter is known for her spare, haunting ballads and blues and her sinewy, commanding vocals. She sings songs from her CD, *My Blue Heaven.*

## The Habitat

**3050 Jackson Rd.** **665–3636**

Lounge at Weber's Inn. Solo piano (6–9 p.m.) by **Adam Riccinto** (Tues.–Fri.) and **Tom Knapp** (Sat. & Sun.). Dancing, no cover. **Every Mon.: "Swank Life."** DJ Al Velour spins 50s & 60s lounge music. Period attire encouraged. Also, at 8 p.m., local dance instructor Louise Tamres offers free ballroom dance lessons. 4 p.m.–midnight. **Apr. 2–4, 7–11, 14–18, & 21–25: Kaleidoscope.** Top 40 dance band. **Apr. 28–30: Northern Lights.** Top 40 dance band.

## The Heidelberg

**215 N. Main** **663–7758**

This rock 'n' roll club on the top floor of the Heidelberg restaurant features DJs on Thursdays (10 p.m.–1:30 a.m.) and live dance bands on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, & Saturdays (10:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m.) and Sundays (7–9:30 p.m.). Cover, dancing. Also, occasional live music in the basement Rathskeller (no cover). Ages 21 & older admitted unless otherwise noted. **Every Sun.: II-V-I Orchestra.** Late-30s swing and 40s R&B. See Events. 7–9:30 p.m. **Every Thurs.: "Sol Elements."** DJ Miguel and various guest DJs spin acid jazz and hip-hop records, with accompaniment by live bands to be announced. **Apr. 3: Speedball.** Detroit band that plays tight, well-crafted postpunk speed-metal. **Apr. 4: Easy Action.**

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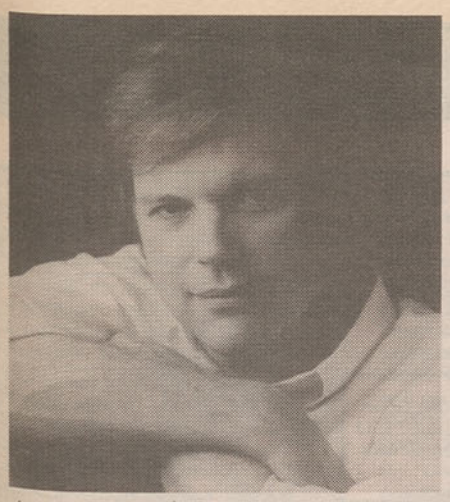
**Al Hill and the Love Butlers play soulful swing, New Orleans–style funk, and boogie-woogie blues on Thursday nights at the Arbor Brewing Company.**



**Acclaimed folk guitarist Leo Kottke displays his richly varied acoustic repertoire at the Ark on Sun., April 5.**

Detroit area band featuring members of the Laughing Hyenas and Big Chief that plays 70s rock 'n' roll with a hardcore edge. Opening act is **Ebeling Hughes,** an experimental band with a late-60s English psychedelic flavor. **Apr. 10: Ghetto Billies.** Local acoustic band that specializes in humorous ballads. Opening act is **Billy Freedom,** a new local postpunk rock 'n' roll band. **Apr. 11: Bootsie X and the Lovemasters.** Slightly off-the-wall postpunk party band from Detroit that covers lots of trashy 60s pop. Opening acts are **Championship Showcase,** a new local country-rock band featuring members of the Plumbobs, and **Chapstik,** a hard-edged country-rock band from Texas. **Apr. 18: Enzian.** German band. In the basement Rathskeller. 9 p.m.–1 a.m. **Apr. 18: Sublimation. Apr. 24: Deep Space Six.** Grateful Dead cover band. **Apr. 25: "Dance Hall Reggae Night."** With the DJ duo Black Lion Sound and Billy the Kid.

## Leonardo's

**2101 Bonisteel Blvd. 764–7544**

Performance area in the food court at the Pierpont Commons on the U-M North Campus. No dancing, no cover. **Every Mon.** (except April 27)**: Randy Napoleon Quartet.** Jazz standards and originals, from bebop to modern styles, by a quartet led by this local guitarist. With trombonist Vince Chandler, drummer Aaron Siegel, and bassist Alana Rocklin. 7–9 p.m. **Every Thurs.** (except April 23 & 30)**: U-M Jazz Studies Program.** Live jazz standards and originals by U-M music students, directed by U-M jazz studies director Ed Sarath. Weekly featured soloists to be announced. 8–10 p.m. **Apr. 3: "And the Winner Is."** Performance by the winner of Leonardo's March open mike competition. 9–11 p.m. **Apr. 21: Panchita.** Caribbean music. 9–11 p.m.

## The Liquid Lounge

**301–311 S. Main 990–0893**

This new club located in the former Full Moon features DJs, Wed.–Sat. Cover (after 10 p.m.), dancing on 2 different dance floors. Ages 21 & older admitted. **Every Wed.: House Music.** DJs Dex & Urban spin house records. **Every Thurs.: Alternative Rock & Industrial Night.** With DJs to be announced. **Every Fri.: 70s & 80s Club Classics.** With DJ Will Web. **Every Sat.: House and Techno Night.** With DJ Chuck Hampton.

## Mudd House

**317 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti 482–8020**

This coffeehouse near the EMU campus features occasional live music. No cover, no dancing. **Every Thurs.: Open Mike.** All poets and musicians invited. 9 p.m.–2 a.m.

## The Nectarine

**510 E. Liberty 994–5436**

This popular local New York–style dance club features DJs five nights a week and live music on one Monday each month, 9 p.m.–2 a.m. Cover, dancing. **Every Fri.: Boys' Night Out.** With DJ Roger LeLievre. **Every Sat.: 70s & 80s Dance Party.** With DJ Roger LeLievre. **Every Tues.: Boys' Night Out.** See above. **Every Wed.: Disco Dance Party.** With DJ Groove Boy. **Every Thurs.: EuroBeat Dance Party.** European-style house, techno, and alternative dance music with DJ Roger LeLievre.

## Rick's American Cafe

**611 Church 996–2747**

Live music or DJs five or six nights a week, 10 p.m.–1:30 a.m. Campus-area location gives this club a strong collegiate flavor, but the music also draws a heavy nonstudent clientele. Large dance floor. Dancing, cover (except Tuesdays). **Every Mon. & Wed.: "Modern Dance Party."** With DJ John King. **Every Thurs.: Soulstice.** College rock cover band from East Lansing. **Apr. 3: Space Cowboys.** College rock cover band comprised of U-M law students. **Apr. 4** (4–8 p.m.)**: Deep Space Six.** See Heidelberg. **Apr. 4: Big Dave and the Ultrasonics.** High-powered, brightly polished blues and blues-rock by this popular local band led by vocalist and guitarist Dave Steele. **Apr. 10: "Retro Dance Party."** With DJ the Godfather. **Apr. 11:** To be announced. **Apr. 17: The Foster Kids.** College pop originals and covers by this Lansing band led by singer-guitarist Tommy Foster. **Apr. 18: Fat Amy.** College pop band from East Lansing led by singer-songwriter Bobby Guiney. **Apr. 21: "Retro Dance Party."** See above. **Apr. 24: Space Cowboys.** See above. **Apr. 25: Prozac Jack.** Pop-rock dance band comprised of U-M business school students. **Apr. 28: Evan & Jaron Band.** Pop-rock with a folkie edge by this very popular quintet led by twin brothers from Atlanta.

## Shooters

**11485 North Territorial, Dexter 426–1600**

This sports bar adjacent to the Terrace Place restaurant features live music on weekends, 9 p.m.–1 a.m. Very large dance floor. Dancing, no cover. **Apr. 3, 4, 10, & 11: Billy Mack & the Kickback Band.** Rock 'n' roll oldies & classic country. **Apr. 17, 18, 24, & 25:** To be announced.

## Sweetwaters Cafe

**123 W. Washington 769–2331**

Live music Saturdays, 9–11 p.m. No cover, no dancing. **Apr. 4: Wild Birds.** An eclectic mix of jazz, folk, and tortured love ballads by the trio of vocalist Katherine Weide, singer-songwriter and guitarist David Goldfinger, and bassist Glenn Bering. **Apr. 11: Carlson & Bering.** Flamenco duo of guitarist John Carlson and doumbek player Glenn Bering. **Apr. 18: David Mosher.** *See review, p. 105.* An eclectic mix of acoustic originals by this popular local singer-songwriter and guitarist who recently released his debut solo CD, *Sycamore Tree.* **Apr. 25: Five Guys Named Moe.** See Espresso Royale.

## Sweetwaters Cafe

**1107 S. Ann Arbor St., Saline 944–4054**

Live music Fridays & Saturdays, 9–11 p.m. No cover, no dancing. **Apr. 3: Bittersweet.** Jazz vocal-and-guitar duo. **Apr. 4: Sur.** Andean folk tunes performed on a variety of traditional instruments by the acclaimed local trio of Cecilia Courtois, Hector Courtois, and Guillermo Arenas. **Apr. 10: Randy Napoleon.** Local jazz guitarist. **Apr. 11: David Mosher.** See Sweetwaters in Ann Arbor. **Apr. 17: Jake Reichbart.** Local jazz guitarist. **Apr. 18: Laurel Federbush.** Classical and original music by this local harpist. **Apr. 24 & 25:** No music.

## Tap Room

**201 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti 485–5320**

This popular downtown Ypsilanti tavern features live music six nights a week, usually 9:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m., with karaoke on Sundays, 9 p.m.–1 a.m. Cover (Fri. & Sat. only), dancing. **Every Mon.: Open Mike Unplugged.** Hosted by **Chris Buhalis,** a local singer-songwriter and acoustic guitarist. All acoustic performers invited. 9:30 p.m.–12:30 a.m. **Every Tues.: "Johnny Reed & the Nothing but the Blues Jam."** Hosted by **Johnny Reed and the Soul Plumbers.** All bands and musicians invited. **Every Wed.: Open Mike.** Hosted by **The Martindales,** a local band led by singer-guitarist Brian Brickley that plays blues and rock covers and originals. All acoustic and electric musicians invited. **Apr. 2: Jeff Tucker.** Acoustic rock covers & originals by this Toledo singer-guitarist. **Apr. 3: The Witch Doctors.** See TC's. **Apr. 4: The Prodigals.** This popular local blues-based quartet features the 60s-style vocal harmonies and neo-surf instrumental work of guitarists Chris Casello and Al Davron, who is also the lead singer. With bassist Kim French and drummer Dario Insinga. The band's 8-song cassette features originals like "Sharkskin Buffalo" and "All My Friends Are in Jail," along with covers by everyone from the Ventures and the Byrds to Albert King and Chris Isaak. **Apr. 9: Luis Rodgers & Bob Skon.** Local folk-rock singer-songwriter double bill. **Apr. 10: Al Hill & the Love Butlers.** See Arbor Brewing. **Apr. 11:** To be announced. **Apr. 16: Rollie Tussing III.** Blues classics and blues-based originals by this local vocalist and multi-instrumentalist, who plays a National steel guitar. **Apr. 17: Terraplanes.** See Arbor Brewing. **Apr. 18: The Pulsations.** Local blues band led by singer-guitarist Tony Hill. **Apr. 23: The Still.** See Gypsy Cafe. **Apr. 24: Blue Cat.** Detroit-area blues quartet. **Apr. 25: Laith's Blue Sun.** Blues band led by former Blue Vinyl guitarist Laith Al-Saadi. **Apr. 30: Funktelligence.** Local funk-oriented jazz-rock band.

## TC's Speakeasy

**207 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti 483–4470**

This downtown Ypsilanti tavern features DJs on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays (9 p.m.–1 a.m.) and dance bands on Fridays & Saturdays (9:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m.). Also, karaoke on Tuesdays & Trivia Night on Wednesdays. Dancing, no cover unless otherwise noted. **Every Sun.: Retro Dance Party.** With a DJ to be announced. **Every Mon.: Electrique Night.** DJ Mark Madison spins jazz & funk records. **Every Thurs.: Jazz Juice.** House & techno music with DJs Bacchus and Inert. Cover. **Apr. 3 & 4: Cool & Company.** Oldies, doo-wop, and classic rock by this band led by TC's owner Ty Cool. **Apr. 10 & 11: The Witch Doctors.** Blues band led by WEMU DJ Thayrone. **Apr. 17 & 18: Fully Loaded.** Local blues & blues-rock band. **Apr. 24: Liberty Street Blues Project.** This local quartet plays Stevie Ray Vaughan–style blues originals and covers, along with detours into everything from jazz and sambas to Motown and the Beatles. Members are vocalist Matt Highland, guitarist Dan Pratt, bassist Ron Kim, and drummer Kevin Logerquist. **Apr. 25: Split Decision.** Local blues band.

## Theo-Doors

**705 W. Cross, Ypsilanti 485–6720**

This EMU campus–area restaurant turns into a dance club after 10 p.m. Cover, dancing. **Every Mon. & Thurs.: Modern & Retro.** DJs spin Top 40 dance tunes. **Every Tues.: Retro & Disco.** DJs spin Top 40 dance tunes. **Every Wed.: Karaoke and Open Mike Night.** All acoustic performers invited. **Apr. 3: Cherry Pezz.** 60s rock 'n' roll covers by this Detroit-area band. Opening act to be announced. **Apr. 6: Soma.** Local college rock band. Opening act is **St. Ashley,** a Detroit-area rock 'n' roll band. **Apr. 10 & 11:** No music. **Apr. 17: Shindig.** Ypsilanti rock 'n' roll band. Opening act is **Chimney Fish,** a college rock band from suburban Detroit. **Apr. 18: 3 Speed.** Local postpunk pop-rock trio that includes Holy Cows drummer Mike Popovich and two former members of Brothers Grimm. The band recently released its debut CD. Opening act to be announced. **Apr. 24 & 25:** No music.

## Underground

**911 North University 763–4652**

This all-ages club in the Michigan League basement features live music Thursdays & occasional Fridays, 8–10 p.m. No cover (unless otherwise noted), dancing. **Apr. 3: "Six-String Coffee House."** In-the-round performances by local acoustic singer-songwriters **Michael Hsu, Chris Buhalis, Brian Little,** and **Adam Druckman.** Remainder of April schedule to be announced.

## Zanzibar

**216 S. State 994–7777**

This downtown restaurant features live music on its 2nd-floor mezzanine, Fridays & Saturdays, 7–11 p.m. No cover, no dancing. **Every Fri. & Sat.: Dave Froseth Duo.** Local jazz pianist Froseth is joined by a bassist to be announced. ■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# PERSONALS

## Personals Key

A=Asian
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H=Hispanic
H/WP=Height & Weight Proportionate
ISO=In Search Of
J=Jewish
✍=Letters
LTR=Long Term Relationship
M=Male
ND=Nondrinker
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S=Single
W=White

## Women Seeking Men

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Attractive, energetic, spiritual, **DWPF** ISO a pal, who sees the humor in life, for conversation, music, movies, skiing, walking, and maybe more . . . someday. ☎6089✍

Single dads need apply! **SF,** 38, teacher, proficient in s'more making, shoe tying, marshmallow stick hunting, and new math. Also experienced in slow dancing, concertgoing, conversation, fishing lures (really), and base stealing. ISO scrumptious dad with angelic children (I can dream, can't I?) Ages 33–45/1–13. ☎6096✍

I think I'm in a rut . . . help! Attractive, **SBF,** 43, MD in academia; loves fitness, laughter; positive life perspective; enjoy jazz, theater, science fiction/fantasy, long walks; vegetarian finally learning to cook! ISO SM, gentle, kind, athletic, successful, positive, to share delightful times out and about. ☎6098✍

**DWF,** 60, petite, pretty blonde enjoys conversation, walks, movies, music; good listener, fun to be with. Let's talk. ☎6100✍

**SWPF,** 32, attractive, 2 children. Active in civic theater, family, politically minded issues. Looking for SWM, 28–40, with same interests. ☎6101✍

Low 50s, NS, occasional drinker, likes golf, water sports, dancing, Ann Arbor, art, music, kids, grandkids, nature, biking, skating, travel. Christian values, Catholic. ☎6102✍

**SWF,** 37, citizen of Russia, aerospace engineer, good English, familiar with American culture. Very pretty, dark blonde hair, 5'7", 125 lbs. ISO S/DWPM, NS, 30–55, for LTR leading to marriage. Must be willing to travel to Europe. ☎6103✍

**SBPF,** 35, affectionate, attractive, honest, master's level, confident. Enjoys laughing, classical music, antiques, long conversations, sports, travel. Seeking LTR with NS, fit, cultured, attractive, mature, spiritual, family-oriented, well-educated M desiring continual growth. ☎6104✍

Warm, witty, and wise. **DWPF,** 48, seeks friendship and perhaps romance with a successful yet modest, self-aware gentleman who can enjoy a classical concert as well as a walk in the park. NS. ☎6132✍

Peggy Lipton–Greta Garbo combo, loyal, wanderlust, 6'2", willowy blonde artist, 42. ISO a regular guy with a sense of style and adventure. ☎6106✍

**SWJF,** 40-ish, 5'7", 127 lbs., spiritual but not religious, into self-growth, woods walking, singing, natural health, laughing, speaking truth, and life. I'm spunky, unique, and loving. ISO soul connection, SWM, 38–48, NS. Letter and photo, please. ☎6107✍

Dance partner sought for tango, swing, waltz. Desire rhythmic, sensual male over 50, not too tall, experienced or fast learner, with passion for music and movement. I will follow your lead with sensitivity and grace. ☎6124✍

## PERSONAL AD OF THE MONTH

**DWPF,** 42, living in a 3-ring circus, still trying to tame the lions, ISO S/DWM able to walk tightrope without net. ☎6134✍

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**SWJF,** 43, blonde, beautiful, brilliant, unprecedented sharer of love and laughs. ISO WM, 43–60, intelligent, someone I can respect, extraordinarily affluent. ☎6109✍

Does a dog's personality reflect its owner's? Cocker spaniel wants to know what you think. Owner is **DWPF,** 51, loves classical music. ☎6110✍

Attractive, active, professional, 45 years young, petite, weight proportionate, brown hair, green eyes. I am warm, personable, intelligent. I enjoy reading, exercise, golf, cycling, and skiing. ISO SWPM, 38–45, with similar interests who desires an honest, monogamous relationship. NS a must. Social drinker OK. ☎6121✍

Marriage-minded, **SWPF,** pretty, fun, sensual, kind, and educated seeks handsome, like-minded, SWPM, 38–50, to share a beautiful life! ☎6122✍

Short hair, short skirts (but not always). Long on warmth, humor, and brains. NS, **SJF,** 51. Let's chat, short or long, to check for chemistry. ☎6123✍

Attractive, bright, **DWF,** 42, good sense of humor, busy corporate exec. and mom of one. Enjoys relaxing, great conversation, reading, exercise, eating out, travel, friends. You are S/DWPM, nice guy, successful (as defined by you), interested in friendship and personal growth as well as romance (and not a frequent respondent to personal ads!). ☎6125✍

**DWPF,** 42, living in a 3-ring circus, still trying to tame the lions, ISO S/DWM able to walk tightrope without net. ☎6134✍

Attractive, very intelligent, well-educated, honest, fit, accomplished, **DWPF,** 50, with childlike delight in life seeks similar WPM to share the pleasures of emotional intimacy, theater, travel, sailing, snorkeling, dancing, hiking. ☎6136✍

Pretty, smart, fun lover! NS, caring, **WPF** with lotsa heart/soul, sensual, passionate. I love: travel (islands, U.S., world), nature, scuba diving, beaches, birding, mountains, waterfalls, animals, gardens, films (esp. art/foreign), reading, dance, theater, food (ethnic, gourmet, natural), music, culture(s), relaxing in bed with the Sunday paper and my man. Petite, 40s, don't look it—you? Letters only. ☎6111✍

Catholic **DPW** seeks warm, gentle Catholic man for a life of love and sharing. 45–55. ☎6105✍

**SAF,** 26, grad student, loves the arts and Ann Arbor but doesn't know anybody there. Wants to meet SWM, 26–38, MD. ☎6131✍

Tall, large, outgoing, **DWPF,** 46, PhD with two kids, seeking NS, educated, fun, SWM for dinner, movies, concerts, travel, and maybe more. ☎6135✍


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**DJF,** 40ish, pretty, passionate, medium build. ISO S/DWM, 37–50, NS/ND, attractive, humorous, smart, for dating and mating. Photo appreciated. ☎6137✍

Spiritual, open-minded, petite **WF,** 41, with grown child, seeking soulmate. Loves swing dancing, jazz, museums, plays, kids, hiking, animals. ☎6138✍

I have been told I have Betty Grable legs, Spanish eyes, and the body of a 30 year old. I am attractive, 5'4", 125 lbs., aggressive, successful businesswoman ISO a SWPM who is likewise (40s or 50s) with some flexibility for traveling. Am I that special someone you have been looking for? ☎6139✍

## Men Seeking Women

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Passionate, attractive, fun, **SWPM,** 35, 5'9", 155 lbs., health-conscious, NS. Builder/developer. Enjoys outdoors, skiing, volleyball, dining, travel, and adventure. Compatible with warmhearted real people who have real values. ISO SWF, 27–35, under 5'9", NS, active, fit, and intelligent. ☎6086✍

**DWM,** 46, PhD, 5'9", 150 lbs. Farmer researcher interested in sustainable environment, agriculture, economics. ISO scientist to share farming, travels, romance. ☎6087✍

Come on! All I want is a smart woman who's fun and laughs and doesn't have any major hangups about it! **SWPM,** 26, calling. ☎6099✍

**DWPM,** 47, warm, caring, with good sense of humor ISO similar DF in her 40s with liberal political views. Race open. ☎6090✍

Multifaceted, adventuresome, very selective, sportsman, great sense of humor, educated, and refined gentleman! Searching for a very charming, caring, spontaneous, high-principled, even-dispositioned, sensuous, nice looking "lady," who is in good health and spirit! 48–58. Respectfully request photo and note. ☎6140✍

**SWPM,** 27, 6'1", 225 lbs., athletic, intelligent, mature, evening grad student, father, looking for a LTR with a 25–30 SWF with similar qualities. Must have a spice for life and enjoy new experiences. ☎6091✍

**SWM,** 27, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes. Enjoys honest communication, travel, long walks, and music. ISO attractive, honest, sincere, independent, and motivated SF, to seek out the adventure and passion in life. ☎6093✍

**SWM,** 26, 5'9", dark hair, sense of humor, shy, kindhearted, tender, enjoys female companionship. Has no kids, but loves them. ISO SF, 18–29, race no barrier, for friendship to LTR. ☎6095✍

From total strangers to lifelong partners? **DWM,** 48, articulate. ISO DWF who is balanced, fun loving, and expressive. Chemistry, intellect, are essential to a meaningful relationship. ☎6112✍

**SWPM,** 36, 6'1", 230 lbs., NS, handsome, clean-cut, casual dresser, amateur musician, works with computers. Loves sport motorcycles, bicycling. Decent cook, good sense of humor, direct, honest, caring. ISO SPF for possible LTR. ☎6113✍

Kind, understanding, responsible, **DWM,** 51, 5'5", trim, NS, good father, good listener seeks F, 46–55, to share talks, walks, dinners, laughter, tears. ☎6114✍

**SM,** young 41, EMU graduate student, ISO WF, 30–48, college educated for LTR. I enjoy walks, photography, the Ark, Michigan Theater, and reading. ☎6115✍

Considerate, down-to-earth, handsome, athletic **M,** 47, 6', 190 lbs., PhD. Looking for an Oriental woman for friendship or more. Coffee sometime? ☎6116✍

Hombre amable, sencillo, guapo (47, 6'1", 188 lbs., gringo) buscando una mujer linda, honesta, interesante. Vamos para cafe. ☎6117✍

**SWM,** 38, 6'1", fit. California transplant to AA. Engineer turned medical student. Loving my new field, but missing someone special to share life, movies, hiking, dining, laughter, travel, quiet times. LTR with right woman. ☎6118✍

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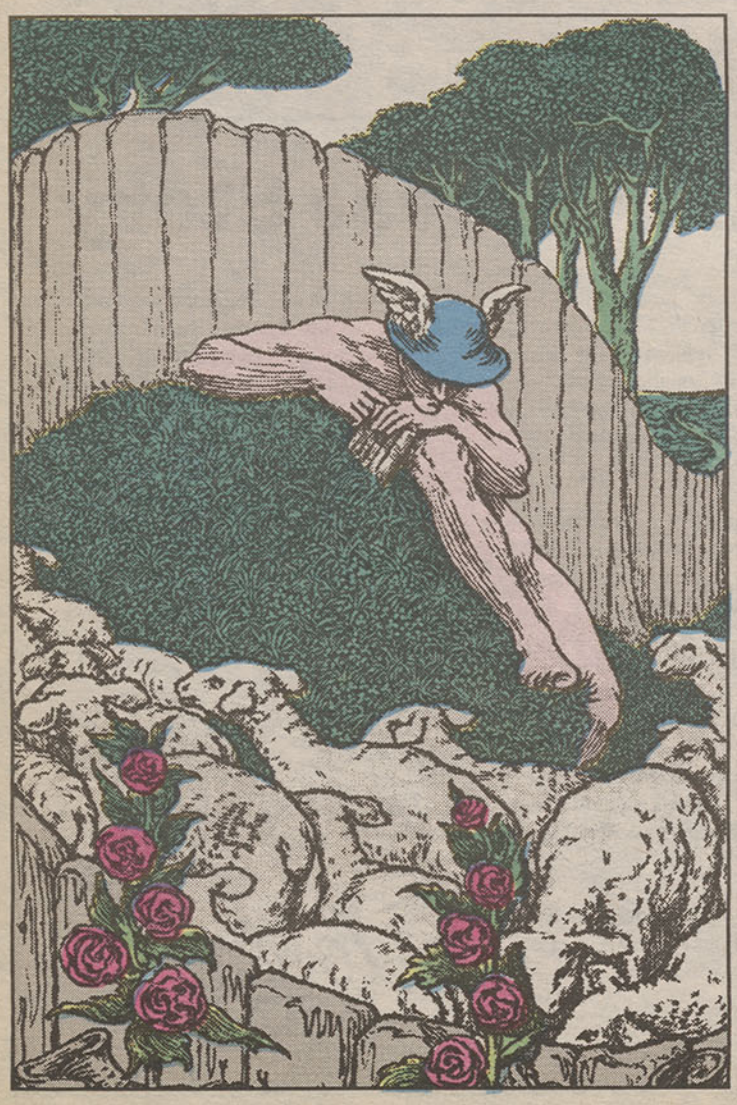

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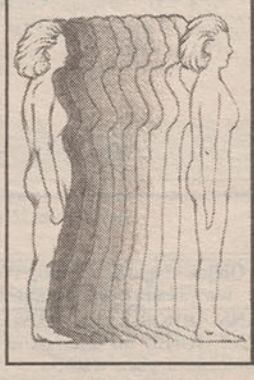

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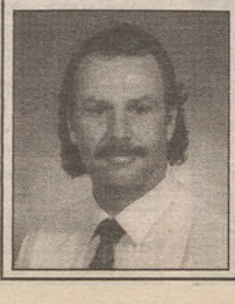

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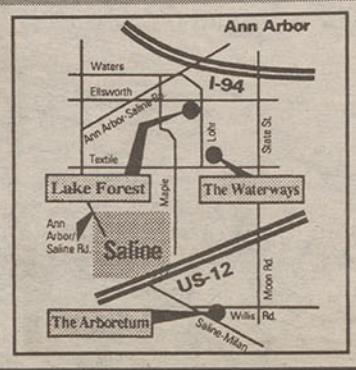


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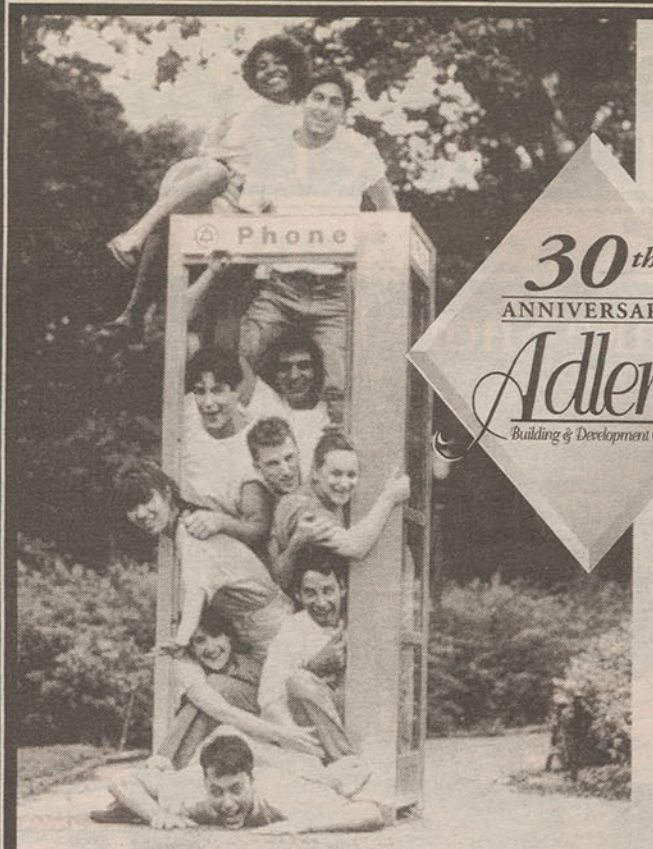


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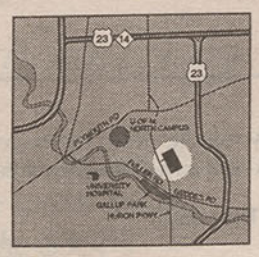


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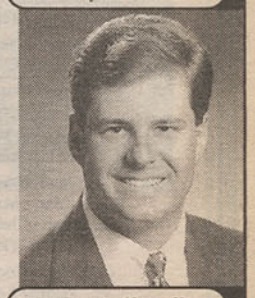
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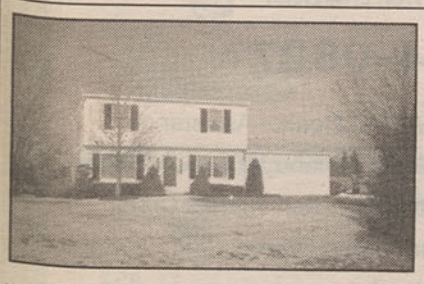

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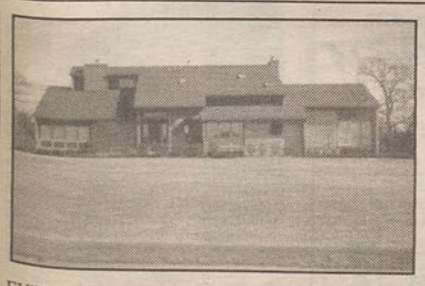

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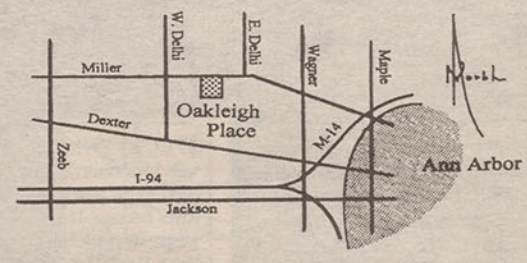


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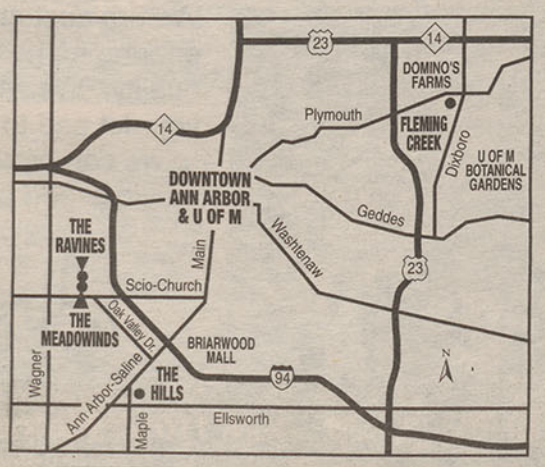


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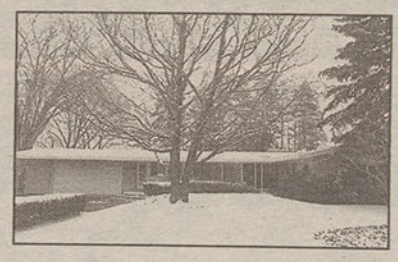

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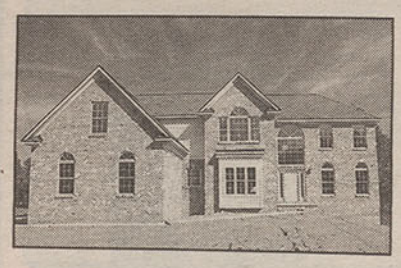

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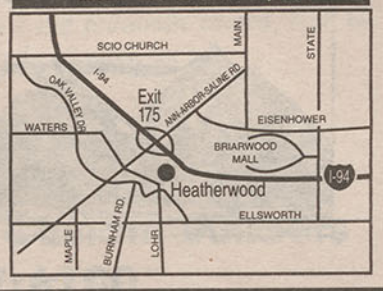


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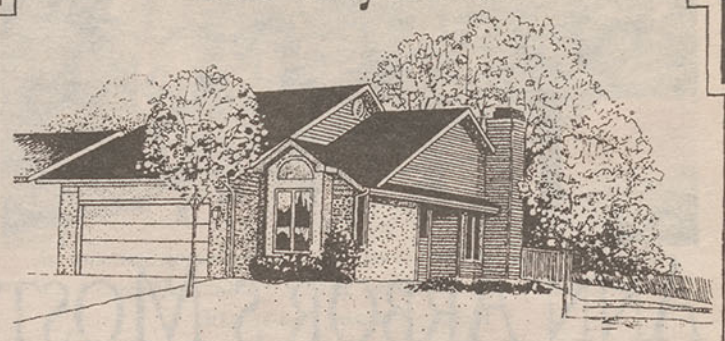

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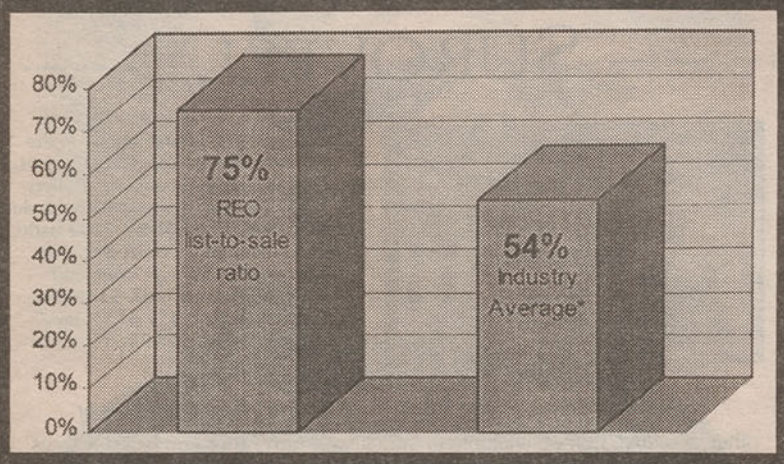


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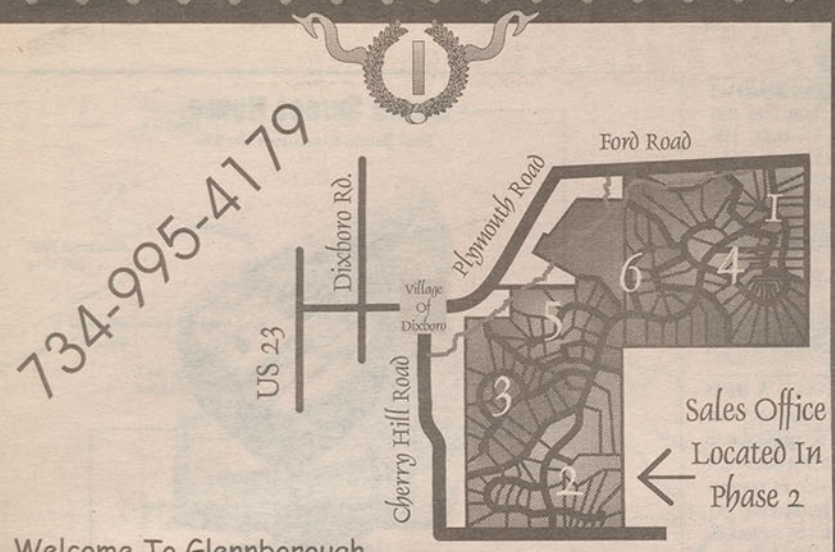


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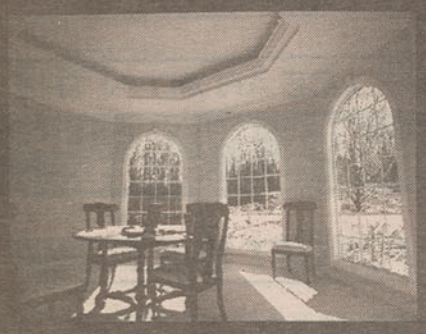

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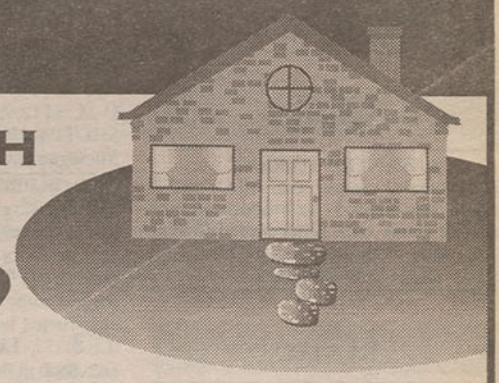

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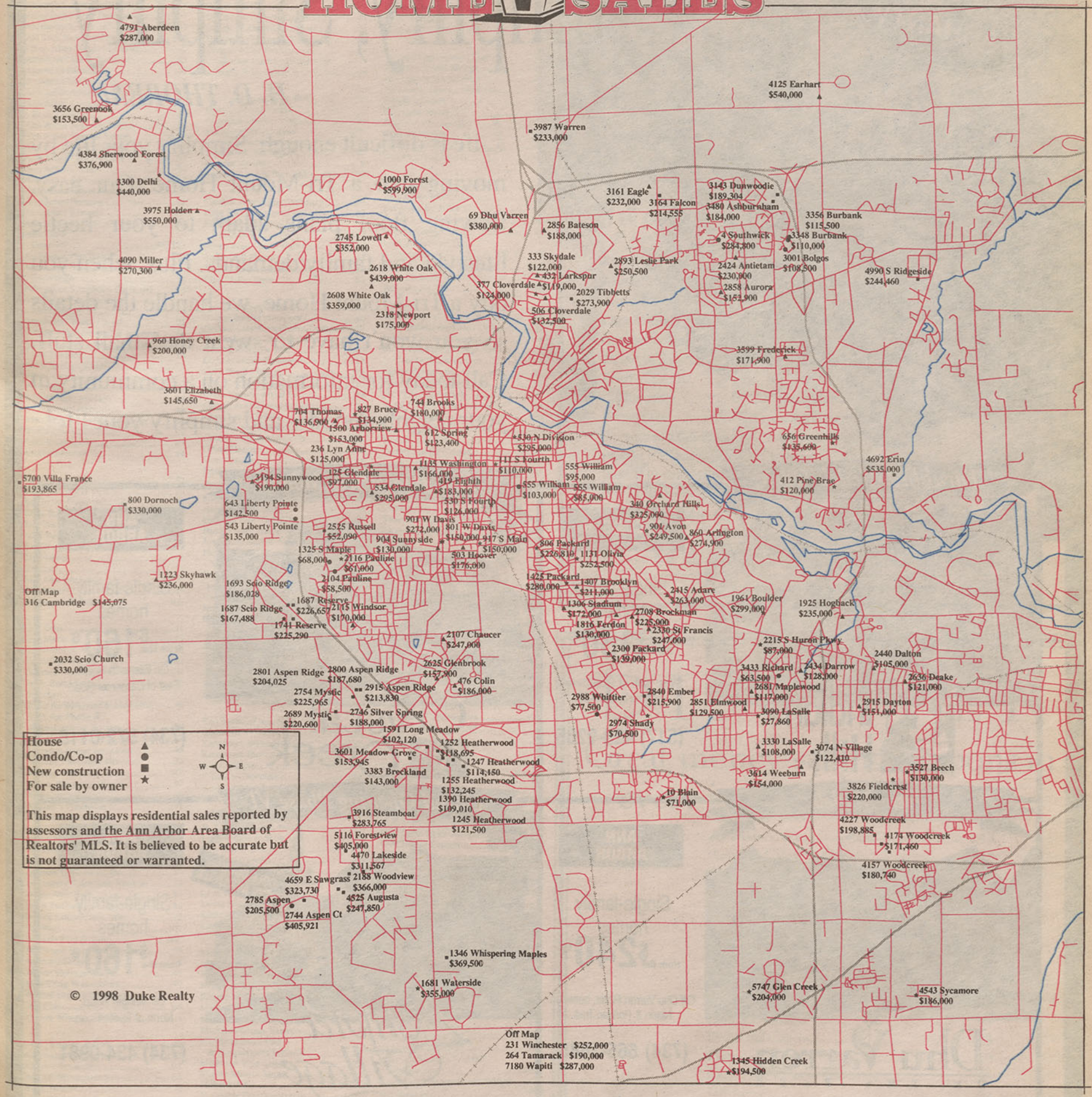


**Tom Monaghan sold his Barton Hills residence** in February, completing his move to 5140 Turtle Point in Northfield Township. Built by Johnson Brothers, Monaghan's new house stretches 7,800 square feet and includes a four-car garage that is not only heated but carpeted. Architects Uppgren & Associates borrowed the "prairie style" pioneered by Frank Lloyd Wright. A neighboring recreation facility built by Rudolph/Libbe includes a full-court gym, a lap pool, and a sauna, all camouflaged to look like a countryside barn. The sprawling estate also includes homes for Monaghan's daughters and a caretaker, as well as stables and an arena for horseback riding. Monaghan owns Domino's, which currently sells $3 billion in pizza annually.

**The buyer of Monaghan's former home was Ed Surovell,** founder of the residential real estate brokerage that bears his name. Last year, Crain's ranked Surovell's company the ninth largest residential brokerage in Michigan, with $258 million in home sales annually. After paying commissions to ninety-two agents, the brokerage should have brought in more than $4 million before expenses—not bad for a business Surovell started at his Crest Avenue kitchen table. Surovell paid the asking price, $599,900, for 1000 Forest Road, a Wright-influenced 2,800-square-foot home on almost two acres. The move presumably marks the end of Surovell's trenchant contributions as a member of the Ann Arbor Planning Commission.

**One hundred and forty-five homes sold in February, up 7 percent** from a year ago. Forty-three were new construction, thirty-four were sold by owner. Just $52,090 bought a new home at 2525 Russell that included four bedrooms and two baths in 1,122 square feet. It's the latest project of Habitat for Humanity, which keeps costs down with volunteer labor and buyers' sweat equity. Only one lot remains on Russell, and Habitat is facing a difficult search for future homesites in town.

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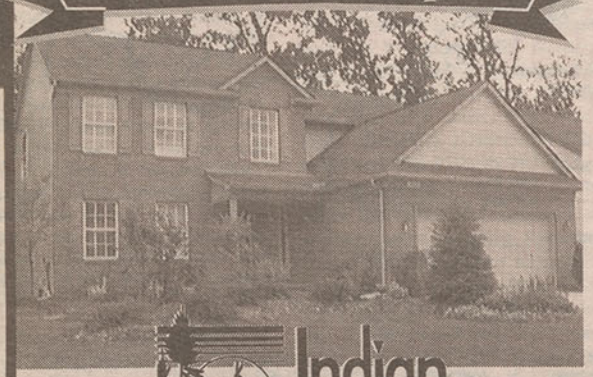

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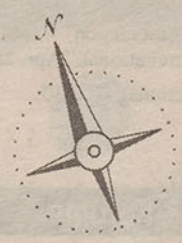


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**The community is invited to turn out Sun., April 26, for the Earth Day Festival at Leslie Science Center, beginning with the colorful All Species Parade and continuing with all manner of environmental fun and games for the whole family.**

## Pop, Rock, Blues, & Jazz

- James Keelaghan & Vance Gilbert (folkie singer-songwriters), Apr. 2
- Steve Poltz (pop-rock singer-songwriter), Apr. 2
- Corey Harris (blues), Apr. 3
- Dean Solden Jazz Quartet, Apr. 4
- Chris Smither (folk-rock singer-songwriter), Apr. 4
- Zen Tricksters (Grateful Dead), Apr. 4
- Kevin Mahogany (jazz), Apr. 8 & 9
- Alex Graham Quartet (jazz), Apr. 9
- John Hammond (blues), Apr. 9
- Huffamoose (jazz-rock), Apr. 9
- Special Consensus (bluegrass), Apr. 10
- "Mr. B's 1st Annual Blues & Boogie Piano Orgy," Apr. 11
- Merl Saunders & the Rainforest Band (blues-rock), Apr. 13
- Jimmie Dale Gilmore (Texas singer-songwriter), Apr. 14
- Johnny Griffin (jazz), Apr. 15 & 16
- Dr. John (New Orleans R&B), Apr. 16
- TR3 (rock 'n' roll), Apr. 16
- Dee Carstensen (pop-folk singer-songwriter), Apr. 17
- Freddy Cole (jazz), Apr. 17 & 18
- Ekoostik Hookah & Guster (rock 'n' roll), Apr. 17
- Gerry Hemingway Quartet (jazz), Apr. 18
- Joan Baez (pop-folk diva), Apr. 18
- Dan Bern (singer-songwriter), Apr. 18
- Margie Adam (feminist pop), Apr. 19
- 1998 Megastars Show (Indian film music), Apr. 19
- Harry Connick Jr. (jazz & swing), Apr. 22
- Ray Wylie Hubbard (Texas singer-songwriter), Apr. 23
- Shawn Colvin & Loudon Wainwright III (pop-folk singer-songwriters), Apr. 24
- Cheryl Wheeler (singer-songwriter), Apr. 25
- Tim Berne's Paraphrase (jazz), Apr. 25
- Elton John (pop), Apr. 25
- Eric Bogle (folkie singer-songwriter), Apr. 29
- Scott Fields Ensemble (jazz), Apr. 30

## Ethnic & Traditional Music

- Leo Kottke (folk), Apr. 5
- Ubaka Hill (African), Apr. 18
- John Renbourn (English) & the Battlefield Band (Celtic), Apr. 21
- Pierre Bensusan (French North African), Apr. 28

## Comedy & Performance Art

- Comic Suzanne Westenhoefer, Apr. 3
- "Art on the Fridge" performance art festival with Whitley Setrakian, Decky Alexander, Malcolm Tulip, the Gepetto Files, and more, Apr. 3 & 4
- Sensible Footwear comedy duo, Apr. 16–19
- Comic Chris Titus, Apr. 16–18
- Comic Jackie Flynn, Apr. 23–25
- Performance artist Frank Pahl, Apr. 30

## Theater, Opera, & Dance

- *Ruddigore* (U-M Gilbert & Sullivan Society), Apr. 2–5
- *Finian's Rainbow* (Washtenaw Community College), Apr. 2–5
- *Book of Days* (Purple Rose Theater), Apr. 2–5, 8–11, 15–19, 22–26, 29, & 30
- *Life in Refusal* (Performance Network), Apr. 2–5 & 9–12
- *Antigone* (U-M Theater Department), Apr. 2–5 & 9–12
- "PopACTION" (Streb dance troupe), Apr. 3 & 4
- *Fame* (All City Players), Apr. 3–5
- *All in the Timing* (U-M Rude Mechanicals), Apr. 3–5
- The Woods (Ellipsis Theater Project), Apr. 9–12 & 16–18
- *West Side Story* (U-M Musical Theater), Apr. 15–19
- *The Merchant of Venice* (Ann Arbor Civic Theater), Apr. 16–19 & 23–26
- *The Cashier* (Ypsilanti Area Players), Apr. 17–19 & 24–26
- "Brecht-Abende" (U-M Residential College Deutsches Theater), Apr. 17 & 18
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- Women's Health Conference, Apr. 4
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- "Music, Love, & Loss" conference on music and psychoanalysis, Apr. 17 & 18
- "Magical Years" parenting conference, Apr. 25 & 26

## Classical & Religious Music

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- Vocal Arts Ensemble, Apr. 26
- Ensemble Ouabache early-music trio, Apr. 29
- The Hagen Quartet, Apr. 29

## Films

- Ann Arbor Silent Film Society, Apr. 5
- Ngozi Onwurah's *Welcome II the Terrordome*, Apr. 9

## Family & Kids' Stuff

- *Rip Van Winkle & Rumpelstiltskin* (Young Actors Guild), Apr. 3 & 4
- *Arm in Arm* (EMU Theater of the Young), Apr. 3–5
- Domino's Farms Easter Egg Hunt, Apr. 11
- Song Sisters Children's Concert, Apr. 19
- *A Thousand Cranes* (Wild Swan Theater), Apr. 24–26
- U-M "Great Space Adventures," Apr. 25
- *Little Red Riding Hood* (Theaterworks USA), Apr. 26

## Miscellaneous

- Recycle Ann Arbor "Second Chance Week" free pickups, Apr. 13
- "Take Back the Night" rally & march, Apr. 18

## Lectures & Readings

- Installation artist Patrick Dougherty, Apr. 1
- Political scientist Daniel Goldhagen, Apr. 1
- Psychologist David Hamburg, Apr. 2
- Mystery writer Michael Connelly, Apr. 2
- Mystery writer Patrick McGrath, Apr. 4
- Historian Iris Chang, Apr. 6
- Fiction writer Lee Abbott, Apr. 6
- U-M economics professor Jim Adams, Apr. 6
- Poet Kevin Charles, Apr. 7
- Poet Thylias Moss, Apr. 8
- Poet Billy Collins, Apr. 10 & 11
- Turkish novelist Orhan Pamuk, Apr. 14
- Sci-fi novelist Mary Doria Russell, Apr. 15
- Novelist Dorothy Allison, Apr. 16
- Poet Robin Robertson, Apr. 16
- Novelist John Barth, Apr. 21
- Episcopal bishop Richard O. Singleton, Apr. 27
- Novelist Seamus Deane, Apr. 28
- Poet Tom Lynch & fiction writer Catherine Seto, Apr. 29

## Festivals, Fairs, & Shows

- Builders Home and Improvement Show, Apr. 3–5
- Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club "Melody on Ice," Apr. 3–5
- Dawn Dance Weekend, Apr. 10–12
- Ann Arbor Record & CD Show, Apr. 11
- Ann Arbor Orchid Society Festival, Apr. 18
- U-M "M-FEST: A Party for the Planet," Apr. 18
- Ann Arbor Art Center "WineFest," Apr. 18
- Little Professor Storytelling Festival, Apr. 20–25
- Quality of Life Resource Center Spring Festival, Apr. 25
- Ann Arbor Kennel Club All-Breed Show, Apr. 26
- Classic Bike and Whizzer Club Swap Meet, Apr. 26
- Hadassah Chocolate Extravaganza, Apr. 26
- Earth Day Festival, Apr. 26
- 1998 Annie Awards, Apr. 26
- Yom HaShoah (Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust) "Evening of the Arts," Apr. 26

## "Only in Ann Arbor" Events of the Month

- "National Library Week Challenge" game show with O. J. Anderson, Apr. 23
- U-M Year of the Humanities & Arts "Piano Camp" film marathon, April 25

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